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■ BRILLIANT young servicemen and women from RNAS Yeovilton marked the successful completion of their training to become competent Royal Navy air engineering technicians.

The group of 50 Royal Navy engineers join the Fleet Air Arm.

Here, AETs Dan Styles, Adam Caine, Jamie Slater and Kavahn Cronin show their delight.

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PLANS for a major facelift of The Speedwell Hall in Crewkerne have taken another step along the way thanks to a first concert organised by the trustees.

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A better life

Peter Hodges
Reporter | peter@viewnews.co.uk

A NEW refreshed and modernised service to improve the quality of life for carers and former carers living in the county will be provided by the Community Council for Somerset from October.

The new Carers' Support Service has been co-designed by carers and former carers and funded by Somerset County Council and NHS Somerset Clinical Commissioning Group.

The new service will include a "one stop shop" of support that all carers and former carers can access, strong co-ordination between services and a focus on prevention to improve wellbeing.

The successful bidder, Community Council for Somerset, is a long-standing Somerset charity that has well-established networks in the community. CCS will name the service Somerset Carers Agents to complement the existing Village & Community Agents services.

The service will be supported with a new website that will allow carers to rapidly access information and advice, including an online chat function and a range of tools and resources.

There will also be a freephone advice line manned by knowledgeable, professional advisers which will give callers confidence that their request will be handled appropriately.

Cllr David Huxtable, cabinet member for adult social care services at Somerset County Council, said: "Carers are valued members of our community.

"We know there are more than 58,000 unpaid carers in Somerset.

"This new service will make sure that all carers and former carers are supported with their caring role and have access to really good, co-ordinated information and advice to support their health and wellbeing.

"We also want to encourage carers who haven't yet sought help or support to make the most of this new service."

Keeley Rudd, chief executive of CCS, said: "We are absolutely thrilled to have won this contract.

"Somerset Carers Agents will provide a comprehensive range of support, advice and help for carers and former carers across the county.

"The service will build on the extensive reach and networks already in place though Village & Community Agents, especially in rural areas where services are increasingly difficult to access."

The community council is working with the current provider Compass Disability to ensure a smooth transition of services.

Over the last year, carers and former carers have been actively involved through Carers' Voice Somerset in shaping the new support service.

They have reviewed existing services and identified what has worked well and what needs to be improved.

And they have been involved in reviewing the bids for the contract.

They will take an active role in monitoring the effectiveness of the new service.

Neil Richards, chairman of Carers' Voice Somerset, said: "We have been involved in the co-design and tender process from start to finish and we will look forward to working with the new carers support service in the future."

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AONB launches its new web site

THE East Devon AONB is inviting visitors to explore its new web site, aimed at raising awareness of the East Devon Way and showcasing local businesses along the route.

Created for East Devon residents, as well as national and international visitors to the area, the new site provides all the essential information needed to visit and enjoy the stunning 40 mile walking route through the heart of East Devon.

Online visitors can now download user-friendly guides for more than 25 walks along the six stages of the route that passes through villages and varied landscapes of heathland, woodland and river valley between Exmouth and Lyme Regis.

The site also features an interactive map of the East Devon Way, showing recommended places to 'Eat, Sleep and Drink' along the route; making it as easy as possible to plan a visit as well as promoting local AONB 'Ambassador' businesses and attractions.

Chris Woodruff, East Devon AONB manager, said: "Overall our aim in creating the site was to give visitors the opportunity to learn more about the East Devon Way and encourage them to try it out for themselves.

"By focussing on both the physical route and our Ambassador businesses that serve it, we had an opportunity to promote our beautiful landscape, healthy lifestyles and support local, sustainable tourism."

In addition to the key features of the site, news, events, images and personal accounts of walking the route all combine to give a friendly and informative overview of opportunities and experiences available to anyone on the East Devon Way.

Visitors are encouraged to explore the website at www.eastdevonway.org.uk

A guidebook for the East Devon Way is also available in hard copy from East Devon Tourist Information Centres or by contacting the AONB office.

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Appeal after girl loses favourite toy

AN APPEAL has been sent out to the East Devon public after a little girl's favourite rag toy, ***pictured left,*** was lost at a restaurant near Honiton.

Tracey Judge says that it was lost on July 29th at the Route 303 restaurant just outside Honiton.

Tracey said: "My little girl is heartbroken that it's lost and we hope someone might have picked it up. It is such a loved toy and it is a massive part of my little girl's life."

If anyone has picked it up they are encouraged to email Tracey on rubyflo1013@icloud.com to arrange details of how to get it back to her.

Tributes paid to DIY shop owner Viv Abbot

VIVIENNE Abbot, owner of Abbots DIY in Ottery St Mary and Seaton, has died.

Viv, as she was known to her friends, was a constant fixture in community events and had chaired the town's chamber of commerce before its closure.

Viv's sons Chris and Jeff took to Facebook to announce news and said: "We are deeply saddened to announce the passing of Vivienne Abbott, after a short but brave battle with pancreatic cancer.

"Both Abbotts stores will be open as normal this week apart from a lunchtime closure in Seaton, between 1-2pm, as we are short staffed.

"Thank you for all the kind messages of support and your understanding at this very difficult time for us."

Pedestrian hit by lorry on the A30

A TEENAGER sustained life-threatening injuries when struck by a lorry in Ottery St Mary.

Police and ambulance were called at 3.05am on Friday, August 4th to the westbound carriageway of the A30 at Daisy Mount Cross. The collision involved a male pedestrian and an HGV.

A police spokesperson said: "The 19-year-old man from Hampshire was walking along the carriageway with three other men when he was in collision with the HGV.

"He sustained life-threatening injuries and was taken to Royal Devon and Exeter Hospital before being transferred to Derriford Hospital, Plymouth, where he remains in a critical condition. The other three men were not injured.

"One lane of the A30 westbound at Daisy Mount Cross was closed until around 10am while officers carried out an examination of the scene."

Police are appealing for witnesses, and anyone with any information is asked to contact 101@dc. police.uk quoting police log number 81 for August 4th.

Police said the man remained in a critical condition at the time of going to press.

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Work on Wildcat helicopters will remain at Yeovil plant

SOUTH Somerset District Council has welcomed the decision made last week by Harriett Baldwin, Minister for Defence Procurement, which announced that work on the AW159 Wildcat helicopter produced by Leonardo Helicopters will continue in the UK at their Yeovil facility.

The district council has made strong representations to the Government on the importance of maintaining investment in the rotorcraft capability of the area in its submission to the Government's Industrial Strategy Green Paper.

It has also been lobbying Government ministers such as the Rt Hon Michael Fallon, Secretary of State for Defence, to help ensure that the future of the UK helicopter development and manufacturing industry is secure.

Options had been considered to relocate the fabrication work for future AW159 helicopters orders – the export version of the Wildcat helicopters already in service with the British Army and Royal Navy – overseas.

After careful joint analysis with the Ministry of Defence, Leonardo Helicopters in Yeovil has confirmed that it will carry out all future fabrication for the AW159 helicopter in the UK, with much of this work being undertaken at its Somerset facility – an agreement that will sustain 40 highly skilled jobs across the UK-based supply chain.

Leonardo (formerly AgustaWestland) is the UK's only helicopter manufacturer and has been based in Yeovil since the 1940s.

Over the past 70 years it has supplied the UK military of all three services with helicopters covering a range of disciplines from advanced anti-submarine warfare through logistic support to close combat on the battlefield.

Councillor Ric Pallister, leader of South Somerset District Council said: "I am delighted that a critical first success has been achieved in helping to secure the long term future of a critical employer to South Somerset and the wider South West. By all working together – MPs, county council, district council and regional key players – we have achieved this small but vital commitment to the UK helicopter business.

"Now the hard work begins in ensuring that the UK protects its long term future ability to design and build next generation rotary wing aircraft especially as the UK heads towards an exit from the EU.

"In fighting for the future we will all be seeking to influence Government as part of its future Industrial Strategy for the UK as well as seeking to protect our local economy."

Aerospace activities in Somerset are part of a globally significant South West aerospace cluster and contributes £300 million a year to the local economy.

Dog walker found with head injury

A FEMALE dog walker suffered a potentially life-threatening head injury in Chard last Friday.

It is not known how she suffered the injury, but people in the area near the reservoir off Chaffcombe Road heard a scream.

A police spokesperson said: "The woman was with her dog at about 4pm on Friday, August 4th, making her regular walk near the reservoir.

"Other dog walkers heard a scream and found her with the injury.

"She was taken to Musgrove Park Hospital in Taunton before being transferred to Southmead Hospital in Bristol for specialist treatment. She remains in a critical condition.

"We are keen to hear from anyone who may have been in the area around 4pm who may have seen the woman and her dog – a black Springer Spaniel.

"The white woman is in her mid-40s of slim build with long dark hair. She was wearing a beige-coloured short sleeve tight fitting top, dark jeans and grey North Face training shoes with pink trim.

"We are keeping an open mind about how the woman came to suffer the head injuries and are hoping members of the public, who were in the area at the time, will have useful information to help us piece together what happened.

"Officers were in the area to reassure walkers and dog walkers and receive any help or information, particularly from anyone that may have been involved in any incidents in the same area.

"Anyone able to help is asked to call us on 101, quoting 5217178432."

On Monday morning, the spokesperson said that the woman remains in hospital.

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Axminster singer-songwriter is TeenStar champion

AXMINSTER youngster Annabel Davies has been crowned as the TeenStar Champion 2017, a national talent competition.

Annabel, 16, sang her own song 'Nightmares' in front of a capacity crowd at the Alban Arena in St Albans and impressed the industry judges, who named her the overall TeenStar winner for singing.

Not only has Annabel won the acclaim of the judges she will now also get the chance to produce her own album in one of the UK's finest recording facilities, River Studios, where she will work with one of the country's top producers on her songs.

Following the recording of her album she will get to star in a music video for one of her songs as well as an initial extensive winner's publicity package, which includes interviews with leading music magazines as well as the BBC and ITV.

Annabel will also be entitled to a comprehensive consultation and development package which includes image and brand advice, a social media revamp, and access to industry contacts.

Annabel, who attends The Woodroffe School in Lyme Regis, originally wrote her winning song 'Nightmares' two years ago but has worked on it ever since.

Annabel said she was delighted to be crowned the winner and has loved the opportunity that the competitions has given her and to win the top prize is an achievement she is very proud of.

Annabel's winning performance can be seen at http://bit.ly/2vceTpT

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■ COMMODORE Nick Tindal welcomes the air engineering technicians into the Fleet Air Arm

Brilliant youngsters join Fleet Air Arm

BRILLIANT young service men and women from RNAS Yeovilton marked the successful completion of their training to become competent Royal Navy air engineering technicians.

The group of 50 Royal Navy engineers join the Gained Trained Strength of the Fleet Air Arm.

Commander Al Tracy, commanding officer of the Air Engineering Department at RNAS Yeovilton, congratulated those qualifying and welcomed their friends and families to the parade.

"It's a real privilege and honour to be standing here today as 28 years ago in August 1989 I was standing in your shoes at my passing out parade, extremely nervous with my parents present and amazed at the achievement of their 19-year-old baby boy," he said.

"You have undergone the finest air engineering training system in the world; we deliver first-class engineers, second to none."

Passing them for duty and presenting their certificates was the guest of honour, Commodore Nick Tindal, commanding officer of RNAS Yeovilton.

During the Phase 2b 55-week course, competent trainees undergo eight weeks of classroom instruction on mechanical and avionic systems, common practices and documentation processes for helicopters.

The remaining time is spent on a training squadron where they are introduced to helicopter operations and maintenance practices.

In addressing the students' families, Cdre Tindal thanked everyone present.

He said: "The success of these young men and women is in no small part thanks to the support of their friends and families. Thank you.

"Let us not forget the staff whose training allows them to stand here today. As fully qualified AETs you enter the Fleet Air Arm at a very busy time in defence as we welcome HMS Queen Elizabeth later his year and HMS Prince of Wales, the second of the new QE class aircraft carriers, the future flagships of the nation."

Cdre Tindal presented each student with their certificates. Four individuals were recognised for their achievements and qualities.

Traditionally, awardees are not informed until the presentation. The award and recognition of these prizes is an important marker in the career of the individual – recognised throughout the Royal Navy.

The CHF Academic Trophy, sponsored by SAFRAN Helicopter Engines UK, is presented to the student who has achieved the best results during training.

The recipient, AET Dan Styles, said: "I feel brilliant, very proud. Today sees the end of a lot of hard work and the beginning of my RN career. I am excited."

AET Harry Clow, winner of the WMF (Wildcat Maritime Force) award for his enthusiasm, willingness and skill, said: "We knew about the awards but obviously not who would be awarded. I'm over the moon."

The Ethos Awards are presented for spirit, loyalty, respect, sense of humour and determination during training.

The CHF Ethos award was presented to AET Anna Barrett. She finished her qualified maintainers training three weeks early so she could represent the Royal Navy at netball.

She said: "It's a lovely surprise. I'm overwhelmed. I wasn't expecting this at all and I'm shocked. I've enjoyed it all so far and now it's my opportunity to have a great career and travel the globe, I hope."

The final award was the AgustaWestland Trophy which is presented to the Wildcat trainee who has achieved the highest all-round academic results in Phase 2b training. The winner was AET Michael Cockerill, who, although slightly shocked at his unexpected award, said: "I'm speechless but very pleased and proud."

On completion of the parade and awards the happy, relieved and smiling newly qualified AETs joined their families, instructors and industry guests to celebrate their success and achievements over lunch.

■ AWARD-WINNING air engineering technicians Dan Styles, Harry Clow, Michael Cockerill and Anna Barrett

Charity's bid to help kids in refugee camp

SOMERSET-BASED charity School in a Bag has launched an appeal to help those in desperate need in the Bidi Bidi refugee camp in northern Uganda where there are 350,000 people. Many of these are children who desperately need educational supplies.

SIAB is working with their partners in Uganda, East African Playgrounds, which has been working in Bidi Bidi for the last few months and has approached the charity to supply school bags to help alleviate the problem.

Tom Gill has overseen SIAB's operations in Uganda since 2012 and has successfully sourced and co-distributed 3,875 school bags working in association with on-the-ground educational charities.

The school bags and their contents will be sourced, packed and distributed in country by Tom and the partner charities EAP is working alongside.

Bidi Bidi is the largest refugee camp in the world – it was recently forced to close due to the huge numbers of people in it.

Eighty-five per cent of these people are women and children.

And the influx of young South Sudanese children has put a huge strain on an already-stretched Ugandan education system.

Children are being educated in classes of up to 150, without any resources.

Luke Simon, founder and chief executive officer of School in a Bag, said: "Tom approached us about getting school bags into Bidi Bidi and I was shocked to learn about the huge amount of people in this situation, yet have seen no news reports about it in the mainstream media.

"Having worked with Tom for several years funding and distributing nearly 4,000 school bags, we felt that a direct appeal would be the best way to raise money and awareness to the plight of these refugee children. We have already donated £5,000 from our funds to the appeal so we can get the first school bags to the children in the camp as quickly as possible.

"This is a crisis situation that desperately needs attention and we want to help rectify the problem. Amazingly, there are more refugees fleeing South Sudan than trying to get into the whole of the EU combined.

"We at School in a Bag, alongside Tom and East African Playgrounds, are committed to making this appeal a success and getting as many school bags as we can to the children there who need them.

"We know from experience that for children in desperate temporary situations, the paramount need is to get their routine back on track, and a major one of these is schooling. If we can help them at this point, it will provide stability and mean their educational needs won't suffer."

Since December 2016 when fighting between rebel forces and the government broke out in South Sudan following an alleged coup, more than a million people have fled the country seeking refuge with their neighbours.

Uganda, bordering South Sudan to the south, has received the biggest influx of refugees courtesy of an open-border policy and promise to provide incoming South Sudanese with land and seeds in the belief that they will be better off making a new life for themselves than doing nothing in a camp.

To help fund school bags for the refugee children, donate at virginmoneygiving.com/fund/SIABUgandaAppeal.

■BIDI Bidi is the largest refugee camp in the world

Developers 'can't wave magic wand to solve problems'

COUNCILLORS have reacted angrily to amended plans for a large housing development in Ilminster and have said that the developers cannot wave a wand like Harry Potter and hope that everything will be OK.

Persimmon Homes has submitted amended plans to South Somerset District Council for land south west of Canal Way in Ilminster where the developer wants to build up to 400 homes – down from 450 originally envisaged.

But members of Ilminster Town Council's planning, highways and transport committee, who met last week, are still far from happy with the proposals although they admit that a housing development of some sort will eventually be given the go-ahead.

Cllr Julie Fowler, deputy mayor of Ilminster, said: "These are amended plans but most of it is still the same. Inevitably houses will be built there but I have still got my concerns.

"This seems to have been a cosmetic exercise by the developers to get over highway objections and Persimmon seem to think they have solved it by waving Harry Potter's wand."

But Cllr Fowler has said that the development would definitely lead to traffic problems along Canal Way and two zebra crossings would add to the delays.

"This will inevitably lead to more traffic," she said. "It doesn't take an Einstein to work out that there will be traffic jams along there at peak times with a crossing by the medical centre and a possible new school."

The developers have suggested that they envisage most people living on the new development would get work within Ilminster.

"It's pie in the sky that most people living there will actually work in Ilminster," said Cllr Fowler.

"The development will happen eventually but we should request that South Somerset District look at scaling down the development further."

Cllr Drew Belobaba said the council should scrutinise everything that the highways department reported about the development.

This prompted Cllr Fowler to interject and – with tongue in cheek – said that it reminded her of a famous quote of Benjamin Disraeli, who twice served as Prime Minister of the UK in the 19th century, when he said: "There are three types of lies – lies, damn lies and statistics."

Planning committee chairman Cllr Andrew Shearman said he was still concerned for the safety of people living on the proposed new development as he feared emergency vehicles would struggle to get in and out of the estate quickly.

Persimmon's development director Stephen Taylor pointed out in a letter to the district council that the updated highway details "now incorporate the two zebra crossings as identified in the recently submitted transport assessment and as agreed with your highway colleagues" and that the highways authority, based at Somerset County Council, had withdrawn its previous recommendation of refusal.

Ilminster Town Council's planning, highways and transport committee has recommended the application be refused permission.

A final decision will be made by South Somerset District Council at a later date.

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Booze fest boosts charity

■TOP, members of the AgustaWestland Apprentice & Student Association team; above, festival visitors settle in for the evening

THE Quicksilver Mail pub in Yeovil played host to a beer and cider festival in aid of the School in a Bag charity.

The event was organised by the AgustaWestland Apprentice & Student Association team – better known as AWASA – and was well backed by work colleagues, friends and supporters.

As well as enjoying some fine beer and cider, the festival-goers were able to hear live music from Craig and Alex Priddice, Molly-Ann, Jackdaw, OSV and Hundred Faces.

Among the beer and cider providers were Yeovil Ales, Ham Hill Cider and Harry's Cider Company.

AWASA has the School in a Bag initiative as its charity of the year and has held a number of fundraising events.

School in a Bag is part of the Piers Simon Appeal. It was established soon after the Boxing Day Asian tsunami of 2004 which killed thousands of people including former Preston School and Yeovil College student Piers Simon.

So far more than 80,000 school bags have been funded, with around 77,000 bags having been delivered to help poor, orphaned, vulnerable and disaster-affected children across the world.

A school bag contains a drinks bottle, a lunchbox and fork/spoon, pencils, colouring pencils, a maths set, exercise books, a ruler and a pencil case containing four blue, four black and two red biro pens.

A number of the School in a Bag team attended the beer and cider festival at the Quicksilver to show their support and thanks to AWASA.

Festival pictures by CHRISTINE JONES

■SERVICE with a smile

■THREE early arrivals at the charity beer and cider festival

Library offers kids chance to book place among prizes

TO mark the 30th birthday of Yeovil Library, a special competition and event are being organised by Somerset County Council.

The Storyteller competition celebrates creativity and encourages children and young people to take part in a number of different ways.

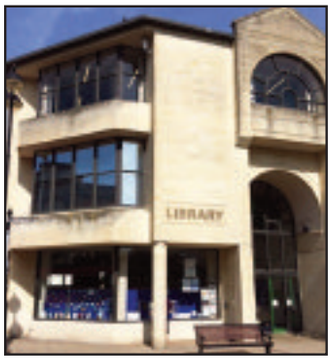
The library staff are calling all budding young artists, wizard wordsmiths and talented photographers to take part in the competition.

Children aged between two and five years are invited to draw, paint or colour a picture of their favourite fairytale.

Youngsters aged between six and 14 are invited to write a short story, of no more than 500 words, on the subject The Storyteller.

Entrants aged 15 to 18 are invited to tell a story using a maximum of six photographs on the theme The Storyteller. The pictures should have a local setting, or be taken at a local event.

Winners and runners-up for each age category will be announced at the birthday celebration event on Saturday, September 9.



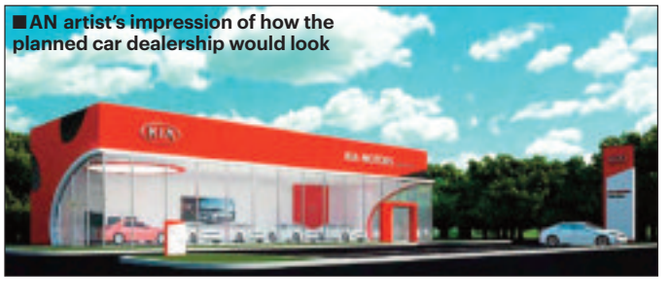
■ CHILDREN are encouraged to get writing, drawing and photographing in a special competition to mark the 30th birthday of Yeovil Library

Book-token prizes have been donated by the Yeovil Community Arts Association.

The county council's libraries spokesman, Cllr David Hall, said: "It is fantastic that Yeovil Library has been at the heart of the town for the past 30 years, providing a vital service as well as so much pleasure and enjoyment to the local community.

"I encourage local children and young people to take part in the competition and to visit the library on Saturday, September 9 to enjoy the celebrations."

Further details and entry forms are available from Yeovil Library or by email from yeolib@somerset.gov.uk Closing date for all entries is Saturday, August 26th.



■ AN artist's impression of how the planned car dealership would look

Car showroom plans motor into town council's good books

PLANS for a car dealership to utilise the majority of the so-far-empty Fusion Park development in Yeovil have been given support by local planners.

Members of Yeovil Town Council's planning committee agreed to give their backing to the proposals for the site in West Hendford being put forward by FJ Chalke and the Abbey Manor Group.

Councillors said they feel the proposals should be approved along with a condition ensuring the loading and off-loading of vehicles takes place on the site, not out on the road.

Fusion Park covers an area of just over three-and-a-half acres of land between Lysander Road and West Hendford and was once the Yeovil headquarters of SSE – previously known as Scottish and Southern Energy – which were subsequently flattened by bulldozers.

The proposed motor retail facility will occupy 3.08 acres of the site, with the remaining 0.45 acres set aside for future development.

The applicants have identified in a report that their plans would see buildings put up to match the scale of other units along Lysander Road – such as the Lidl store which adjoins the site.

The proposed development includes 247 car-parking spaces along with secured motorbike and cycle shelters.

FJ Chalke's Nissan headquarters in Yeovil is currently based in Sherborne Road.

A final decision on the application will be made by South Somerset District Council, probably in late September.

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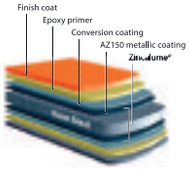

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Powerful warning on the dangers of dumped batteries

GADGET-USERS are being urged "don't bin that battery" and to take other steps to avoid the risk of setting off a blaze in their rubbish bin that could endanger their home and family.

The warning follows two as-yet unexplained accidental fires in Somerset – one in a Chard rubbish bin and another in refuse added to the landfill site at Walpole near Bridgwater.

All batteries need care as they hold the potential to short and create sparks, while their poisonous chemical cocktail means they should always be recycled rather than sent to landfill.

But there are particular concerns about the many lithium-ion batteries used in mobile phones, cameras and other portable devices with high power demands.

The power levels and light construction of li-ion batteries bring the risk of a fire or explosion if they get bent, broken or pierced when discarded into rubbish bins or black sacks.

There is a high potential for a blaze that takes days to put out if batteries are crushed in a rubbish truck and buried in a landfill site, where decaying organic matter can cause rising temperatures.

Recent years have seen a number of waste-related incidents, including fires in rubbish bins, refuse trucks and landfill sites, and even blaze deaths. Yet all batteries can be recycled.

Many outlets, from most supermarkets to DIY and electrical stores, take batteries for recycling.

And while not yet collected at the kerbside, batteries are taken at all Somerset recycling sites. A Somerset Waste Partnership spokesman said: "Batteries are a real fire risk in your rubbish, especially the high-power li-ion type, so recycling is the smart and safe option.

"And, since single-use batteries are a very costly and inefficient power source, better to use the mains or invest in rechargeable batteries to save money, resources and time."

Batteries are among several waste fire hazards that should not be added to rubbish, including:

- Hot ash from fires or barbecues, or the not fully extinguished contents of ashtrays; these must be damped down fully or allowed to cool completely
- Broken glass that can act as a magnifying lens in landfill if not carefully wrapped
- Aerosols that can get hot or be pierced or crushed during collection and landfilling.

See somersetwaste.gov.uk for more about how to recycle and stay safe.

A CHARD travel agency has thanked everyone who supported its fundraising raffle in aid of the Hope for Tomorrow charity. Hays Travel had a raffle stall at the Chard Summer Festival fair and raised £158.24. "Thank you very much to everyone who bought tickets for our raffle and well done to all the lucky winners," said a spokesman for the travel agency. Hope for Tomorrow is a charity which brings cancer care closer to patients' homes via a mobile chemotherapy unit. The charity provides and maintains the mobile units to support patients who are going through chemotherapy by alleviating the stresses and strains of travelling for appointments, along with reducing hospital waiting times. Pictured are the travel agency's team members at their fundraising stall in Chard

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Pub is given green light to improve upstairs fire safety

YEOVIL pub The Armoury has been given the go-ahead to improve fire safety in the upstairs of the premises.

Plans were submitted to South Somerset District Council to install a new fire escape window, along with associated works at The Armoury which is situated just off the town centre at The Park.

A fire risk assessment was carried out in March and found some concerns – the primary one being the sleeping accommodation for tenants and letting guests above the pub.

The assessment concluded that essential action needed to be taken to reduce the risk of harm to people in the event of fire.

At present the only way of escape from the first floor is via an external metal staircase.

It has now been proposed that a window escape from the letting rooms is installed on to the flat roof.

A spokesman for the application said: "By creating a new window on the flat roof, this would allow occupants to exit the roof straight on to the roof and exit safely."

The pub was originally built as an armoury in the mid-19th century and used by the military until the 1980s when it was converted into licensed premises.

Most of the current building consists of post-1970s extensions to the rear. The original 19th-century element is the narrow gable-ended section facing the road.

Members of Yeovil Town Council's planning committee supported the application which was then formally approved by South Somerset District Council.

■ THE Armoury

Fete raffle in aid of hospital and school

COTTAGE Flowers in Ilminster is selling tickets for a grand raffle which will be held at the Sunnymead Country Fete.

First prize will be a weekend for two at Cricket St Thomas, while second prize will be a Hetty vacuum cleaner supplied by Numatic Chard.

Third prize will be a bouquet of flowers every month for a year provided by Cottage Flowers.

The raffle will be drawn on Saturday, September 2 during the fete at Sunnymead in Frost Lane, Ilton.

The fete will be raising money for the Beacon Centre at Musgrove Park Hospital in Taunton and the St Mary & St Peter's Primary School in Ilton for an outdoor classroom.

There will be pony rides, a bouncy castle, skittles, children's races, a hog roast, ploughman's lunch and cream teas.

Entrance to the fete is £1 for adults and free for children.

The event is being sponsored by Cottage Flowers and if anyone is interested in holding a stall at the fete or donating any items please contact the team at the shop in East Street, Ilminster, on 01460 53020.

A face painter is also needed for the fete.

■ **THE team at Cottage Flowers are looking forward to selling people raffle tickets in aid of the Beacon Centre at Musgrove Park Hospital in Taunton and St Mary and St Peter's Primary School in Ilton**

Try a taste of Italy to help mayor's charity

THE mayor of Yeovil kicks-off his second year of fundraising for St Margaret's Hospice and School in a Bag by hosting an Italian night.

The event will take place on Wednesday, September 6 from 7pm at the Nuova Italia restaurant in Ilchester.

And the mayor, Cllr Darren Shutler, is hoping it will be another fun-filled and successful occasion for his two nominated charities.

Diners will be able to enjoy a three-course meal of traditional Italian cuisine along with live music.

It will cost £20 per person to attend. Cheques should be made payable to *D Shutler – The Mayor of Yeovil* and sent to 5 Streamside Cottages, Yeovil, BA20 2GD.

Payment and menu choices need to be with Cllr Shutler by Thursday, August 24. For more details, send an email to darrenshutler@googlemail.com

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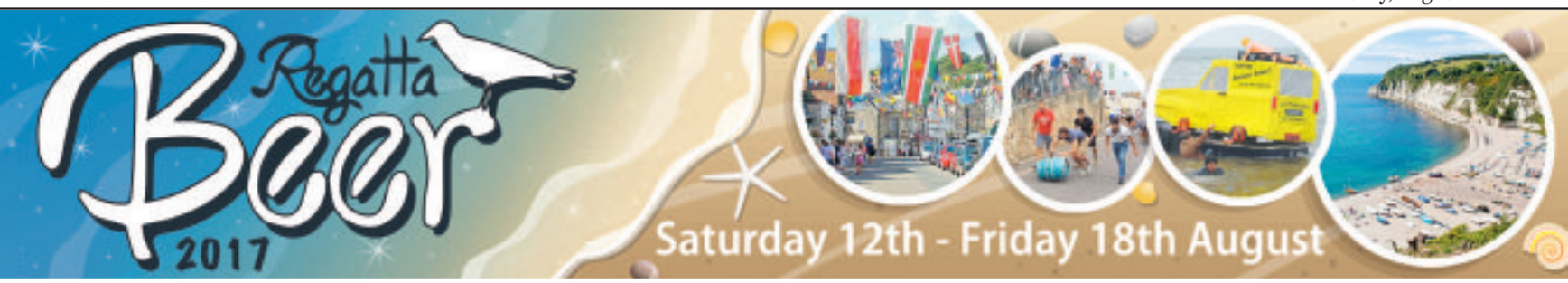

Welcome to Beer Regatta!

SO here we go....but this item it's my last Chairman's report!!! Yes, I've said it for a couple of years now but this really is it!

I've had a fantastic time as Chairman over the last 12 years and I am very proud to be part of such a great team and to live in such a wonderful village. I absolutely love regatta and have always believed it is also a wonderful opportunity for other village groups and organisations to promote and fundraise for themselves too, for example Puffinsplaygroup and the Scouts. It is also a fantastic time for local businesses, which I hope brings much welcome trade to the village.

This is not "goodbye" as I will be continuing as Regatta Secretary. I seem to have taken on various secretarial responsibilities over the last couple of years so thought this would be good way to continue my support but let someone be the 'face' of regatta! The build up to another fun filled Regatta is once again upon us. Excitedly this year we have been joined by some very welcome new members to the committee and we have a new chairman among them! We are reality looking forward to putting on another week of fun packed events for all to enjoy. Last year's changes to the rowing championship were a great success and will continue this year. The small boat fishing competition was also a winner and will be held again this regatta. Unfortunately for various reasons the 'big boat' angling competition will be run. Therefore, please note that the prize giving will be at lunchtime this year and we will be joined by Honiton Town Band later on the cliff top.

Another chance to the programme this year will see the Saturday Craft Fayre move to the cliff top on the Tuesday...please let the sun shine!! The Saturday coffee morning and bacon butties will instead be hosted but the Scouts. I am also pleased to announce the the 'spoofing competition' will ocntinue with Kim and Jayne at the helm at Beer Sailing Club at the new time of 8pm. Any changes that may occur during the week via our Facebook page and on the board at the top of Sea Hill.

Thank you to EVERYONE who has helped over the last 12 months to being another week of fun to the village. Thank you to the local clubs and societies who help us with venues and event organising. Thank you to the local businesses for your continued support and to all those who have so kindly donated prizes to our Grande Raffle. And thank you to YOU for supporting the Regatta; we really couldn't do it without you all. So please attend the events and most importantly HAVE FUN!! LONG LIVE BEER REGATTA!!

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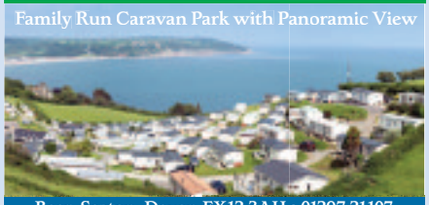

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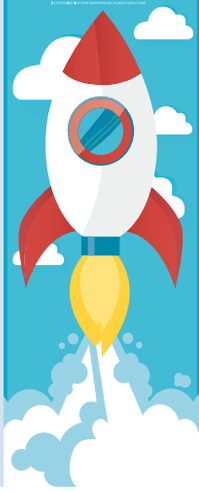

Classes pool their resources at primary swimming gala

■ABOVE, Years 3-4 champions Tatworth Primary School; below, Years 5-6 champions Redstart Primary School

HOLYROOD Academy in Chard hosted its primary swimming gala at the Cresta Leisure Centre.

The afternoon of swimming saw Avishayes, Redstart, Tatworth, Manor Court and Combe schools compete in a variety of races, with a chance of being crowned Years 5-6 and Years 3-4 champions.

A huge audience attended the event and watched some exceptional swimming skills displayed.

The points for each individual race were combined which meant that Tatworth received the trophy for being winners of the Years 3-4 competition, and Redstart won the Years 5-6 competition.

Holyrood Academy's sports coach Shannon Sims said: "The afternoon was great fun, the standards were so high and the children enjoyed every minute of it.

"They even had time at the end to have a bit of fun before the results were announced."

■FIVEWAYS School's Mark Collis receives the donation from Claire Gibbs

Inner Wheel's boost for special school

THE Inner Wheel Club of Chard has made a donation to a school in South Somerset which caters for young people with severe, profound and multiple learning difficulties.

Fiveways School in Yeovil provides a specialist education centred on the individual needs of its children and young people.

President of the Chard Inner Wheel group, Claire Gibbs, presented a cheque to Fiveways headteacher Mark Collis as a contribution to help pay for ongoing improvements at the school.

The presentation took place at Hornsbury Mill near Chard when Claire was re-elected the Inner Wheel's president for a second year.

Wheelie bin fire spreads to home

FIREFIGHTERS were called out to deal with a fire in a wheelie bin which then spread to a home in Chard.

The incident took place at Victoria Place in Victoria Avenue.

One fire engine was initially mobilised from Chard and firefighters quickly asked for back-up as the blaze from the wheelie bin was spreading through an air brick and into the cavity wall of an adjacent property which was evacuated.

Further fire engines from Crewkerne and Taunton arrived along with an aerial ladder platform from Yeovil.

Crews removed bricks from the outside of the building to gain access to the cavity and they checked each floor and loft internally with thermal imaging cameras.

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Get your motor runnin' and head out to fest

SOMERSET Moto Fest 2017 next month is billed by organisers as "a free two-day event for the whole family".

The fest is being staged by Somerset Road Safety in partnership with the Fleet Air Arm Museum at RNAS Yeovilton.

A spokesman said: "Somerset Moto Fest 2017 is going to be an entertaining two-day event with something for all the family, whether you arrive on two wheels or four, at the spectacular Fleet Air Arm Museum.

"Exhibitors will include main motorcycle and car dealerships, training organisations, DVSA, Highways England, emergency

services and cycle dealers, and there will be various demonstrations.

"There is free event entry, and a discounted entry fee for the museum – vouchers will be available from the Somerset Road Safety event stand.

"Test your motorcycle slow riding ability.

"Hone your skills at parallel or bay parking.

"Try out one of the new dealer-provided vehicles fitted with parking assistance programmes and learn more about the safety features available.

"Take an assessed ride or drive accompanied by an advanced rider or driver.

"Try one of the demonstration bikes or cars from the dealers."

The event will also feature a children's play area. Food and drinks will be available at the Swordfish Restaurant, and there will be competitions running daily.

Somerset Moto Fest 2017 will be held on Saturday, September 9 and Sunday, September 10 (10am to 4pm).

Firefighters to rescue after toilet training trouble

A WORRIED dad took his two-year-old son into a South Somerset fire station for help after the toddler had got a toilet training seat stuck around his neck.

Fire crew at Somerton got the seat off and the boy was uninjured in his ordeal.

■ **PROUD flower arrangers with their boxes of British blooms** ***Photo courtesy of Jackie Nicholls***

Village hall looks blooming beautiful

FLOWER lovers from all over Somerset, Devon and Dorset gathered for a summer flower arranging workshop near Chard.

Enthusiastically supporting their local growers, the women filled the village hall at Combe St Nicholas with gorgeous British blooms. Using their flowers, foliage and other natural materials, they learned the techniques needed to make their designs.

Watching a step-by-step demonstration first, they were taught how to condition their flowers to make them last longer, how to wrap them into a box and how to add the elegant finishing touches.

Louise Boffey, of Chaffcombe, Chard, said: "This was such a friendly, relaxed workshop and we all had a few giggles. I made a lovely arrangement which would be perfect not only for my home but also as a gift."

Sue Cox, of Chard, said: "I learned how to take my time and not to panic, as Jackie was always there to help. Learning in simple steps was great, and my design was definitely fantastic."

Helen Larkin, of Lyme Regis, said: "This was an idea which looks great – and best of all, I'm confident I can make it again."

Jackie Dadds, of Axminster, said: "This workshop was great fun. I learned how to shape my arrangement, then wrap it in cellophane and use a box. I was really pleased with the design I made."

Award-winning tutor Jackie Nicholls, of Ashville Design in Somerset, who ran the workshop, said: "We all had a lot of fun and laughs along the way. After each session, the village hall looked and smelled like a beautiful flower shop.

"I really must congratulate those who came, and thank everyone for supporting our local growers. The end results were absolutely outstanding. A huge 'well done' from me."

Twinners' visit

MEMBERS of Chard's twinning group recently welcomed visitors from their twin German town of Helmstadt for a weekend visit.

Chard mayor, Councillor Garry Shortland, officially welcomed the group in the Guildhall, and then some of the party took advantage of the fine weather to walk around the reservoir while others visited the museum. The evening, by request of the visitors, was spent skittling at the Conservative Club.

Over the weekend day trips were enjoyed to Lacock near Bath and to Plymouth. On their final day the guests were given a tour of Numatic International in Chard where the Henry vacuum cleaners are produced.

The leaving party took place at Donyatt Village Hall and featured high tea, followed by entertainment from Dr Turberville's Morris Dancers.

A spokesperson for the twinning association said: "There was also audience participation which was great fun. Thank you to Tesco for their contribution towards the tea. Thanks also to Lindens and Ammonite Guest Houses and the Bath Hotel for their hospitality.

"Tuesday morning came all too quickly and our friends returned home. Hopefully next year we will be going out to Helmstedt." Anyone interested in joining the twinning association should contact the secretary on secretary@chardhelmstedtsociety.org.uk

■ HOSTS and visitors gather for a picture

■ REAR L-R Shipmate Dick Moon and Commander Tim Berry RN; front L-R Chard Shipmates Mike Kirkland, Roy Lovell, Helen Day, Paula Moon, David Asprey and Malcolm Day *Photo by DICK MOON*

Welcome aboard for RNA members

SEVEN members of the Chard branch of the Royal Naval Association travelled to Avonmouth Docks for a visit aboard their affiliated Royal Naval ship, HMS Somerset.

They were guests of the Captain, Commander Tim Berry and his crew.

The party was greeted on board by members of the crew who showed them around the vessel, stopping off at the bridge for a demonstration of a simulated attack from an unknown force and a tour of the operations room.

Back on the flight deck, the party mixed with other organisations who had been invited to attend and memers were delighted to see many 'local' people on board including Commander Berry's parents who are still resident in Coombe St Nicholas where Commander Berry was brought up and went to primary school followed by Holyrood Academy.

Before returning home the party was privileged to observe the Naval tradition of 'Sunset' (the striking down of the Ensign and Union Flag) and the marching on of the guard just prior to the event. This brought many a memory for the former sailors and brought the evening to a close.

■ BARRY Gibbs, left, hands over the president's ribbon to Robin Williams

New Rotary president

MEMBERS of the Rotary Club of Chard met at the Lordleaze Hotel for the annual handover of the club presidency.

Outgoing President Barry Gibbs passed the president's ribbon to Robin Williams who had handed the ribbon to Barry only 12 months previously.

The newly installed President thanked Mr Gibbs for all his hard work over the past year and presented him with a gift on behalf of the club. He also thanked Mr Gibbs' wife Claire, President of Chard Inner Wheel, for all her support and presented her with a bouquet of flowers.

In what has become a club tradition, the evening ended with Rotarians serenading the outgoing President with a ditty written by club member Dick Arnold.

■ CLAIRE Gibbs receives a bouquet of thanks from Rotary President Robin Williams for the support she had given as president of the Chard Inner Wheel

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IN A WORLD that seems ever more changing and ever more confusing, some things do at least try to remain constant and reliable. Once again Henstridge Airfield will host the Bank Holiday 'Wings & Wheels' vintage and classic fly-in and transport event. This is the eighteenth year for this ever popular show and the same team still remain at the helm as launched the event in 2000. "We were mere striplings when we began it all," quipped veteran commentator and publicist Terry Booker, "but, despite spreading waistlines, thinning hair and aching limbs, retirement is not an option when it's in such a good cause". Over the years, together with colleagues Chris Wood and Joe Williams, the trio have presented well over a thousand aeroplanes and a thousand vehicles to visitors from all over Somerset, Dorset and beyond. And it's all aimed to promote funds and greater awareness for the airfield-based Air Ambulance.

Of course the team can't do it all and, on the day, help is readily on hand from the airfield staff, from local volunteers and from friends and family members who've had their arms twisted. One team, without whose presence the event could not run as smoothly as it does, come from the local Air Training Corpssquadrons. The cadets and their officers help to look after the public car parks and provide 'runners' to support the various key sites.

Regular visitors to the event are quick to comment on how friendly and relaxed is the atmosphere on this former Royal Navy airfield. While safety, as always, is the top priority; the whole team work hard to ensure that it provides the maximum enjoyment for pilots, drivers, exhibitors and many hundreds of individual and family visitors. In the words of the event chief, Chris Wood, "It's a simple approach...if we don't cause problems for people....people don't cause problems for us". Last year's appalling weather was, if anything, a testament to what might be justifiably called that 'Henstridge Spirit'. Despite grey skies and torrential downpours everyone made the very best of what was some of the worst conditions possible for an aviation event. "It really did seem as if we were all on the same side....drivers, pilots, visitors and staff all equally determined not to let the 'met-man' win the day."

So, with fingers firmly crossed for bluer and brighter skies, Bank Holiday Saturday August 26th is the date for your diary. With prices held for yet another year at just £5:00 for adults and accompanied under 16s free, it's still a family day out that won't require a second mortgage. No post-Brexit increases at Henstridge! The airfield is well sign-posted and is located off the main A30 Sherborne to Shaftesbury road just a couple of miles east of the village.

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In The Air...

MANY readers will have visited the event over the years and will have a pretty good idea of what to expect. But, for those new visitors who may be a little confused by aviation jargon and who aren't sure what to expect at 'Wings & Wheels', it's really quite simple.

The event is a 'Fly-in'; it is not an Air Show, not an Air Day, not an Air Festival or nor a Flying Display. There is no official program and the best advice is to always 'expect the unexpected'. Think of it as a Classic Car Show with wings and you'll be about right. There is no pre-set timetable and it's 'non-PPR' (Prior Permission Required). That is even more jargon which simply means that the pilots can just turn up when they please and request permission to join. They do not have to pre-book and reserve a slot. Of course air-traffic do appreciate a call in advance but it's not essential....and this is a real help for our pilots. If they see a nice bright day for flying and they want to go somewhere different then where better than Henstridge. So there are no strictly timed displays and the next aircraft to drop in over the threshold could be a modern home-build, an ex-World War Two spotter or a unique survivor from the 1930s.

There are many such events all over the world and the UK's summer calendar is full of them. But the Henstridge team and their colleagues from the former 'Vintage Flying' organisation think that have an ace up their sleeve. 'Wings & Wheels' closes the air park at lunch time and allows everyone the unusual, indeed almost unique, opportunity to actually stroll among the aeroplanes. This could be your chance to take some memorable close-up pictures and perhaps chat to the many pilots who have stayed with their machines. If the weather has been kind across the South then the air park might hold well over a hundred vintage, classic and current types.

The only 'official' spectacle is our traditional salute from the RAF with aircraft from the Battle of Britain Memorial Flight. Over the years we've seen all their aircraft....even the once-in-a-lifetime thrill of the two Lancasters. This is a big year for the Flight as they mark their Sixtieth Anniversary and we're really honoured to be allocated two Spitfires escorting the mighty 'Lanc' in her new colour schemes. The organisers maintain close contact with other display aircraft that might provide a glimpse of something special. Previous years have seen early morning fly-pasts from the RN Historic Flight's 'Swordish' and some superb 'fly-overs' by the 'Reds'...all ten of them with smoke! Who knows what 2017 might yield?

Competition Time!

WIN A MYSTERY FLIGHT

The publishers of 'View From' newspapers are delighted to be able to offer readers another chance to win an exclusive and exciting prize. In conjunction with our friends at 'Wings and Wheels', we have secured an opportunity for one lucky reader to take to the same summer skies over Dorset and Somerset. This year we have arranged a **'MYSTERY FLIGHT'**...and your aircraft and route will remain a secret until you arrive to claim it!

Our previous lucky winners have described their flights as...*"Simply the experience of a lifetime!"* YOU might be the one to be flying over Henstridge on the very same day as the historic Lancaster and its two escorting Spitfires from the BBMF!

Just answer the simple questions and return to our offices: c/o Rob Coombe, Wings & Wheels competion, View From Newspapers, Unit 3 St Michael's Business Centre, Church Street, Lyme Regis, Dorset, DT7 3DB before the closing date of Friday, 18th August 2017. *Winners will be picked at random, editors decision is final.*

Q1. Which organisation is celebrating its 60th anniversary?
Q2. Who do 'Wings & Wheels' support?
Q3. What time do the public gates open for Wings & Wheels?

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And On The Ground

THE POPULARITY of 'Wings & Wheels' continues to grow among the local clubs and individual vehicle owners. Despite all the countless other classic car and vintage vehicle shows in the region which they could share with their fellow enthusiasts....there are very, very few that are also shared by scores of interesting aeroplanes. Needless to say this makes for an unusual and appealing three-way traffic, the drivers enjoy the aircraft, the pilots enjoy the vehicles and the visitors enjoy them both.

From the very beginning the organisers have always been keen to encourage the broadest possible cross-section of wheeled exhibits. Although there are inevitable constraints on parking space and the priority of site safety.....the owner of the modern 'super car' is as welcome as his neighbour with the vintage Rolls. In the same vein, a WWII jeep might well be parked between a Morgan 3-wheeler from the thirties and a BMC Austin-Healey 'frog-eye' Sprite from the late fifties. The stewards always try to get club vehicles together in their groups or set aside a few extra yards for line-up of motor-cycles. Special arrangements too are made for the owners of what might be described as 'Trans-Atlantic Chrome'; since the models emanating from Plymouth, Dodge, Buick or Chrysler can't really turn on the proverbial sixpence nor squeeze into the gap between the Bedford bus and the Fordson Tractor.

Nonetheless, despite the hectic hour or so ahead of the public opening, everyone enters into the spirit of the occasion and this good-natured co-operation does much to ensure the happy atmosphere of this well established event. Visitors shouldn't expect to see the normal car show with everything neatly aligned like a municipal car-park. Instead, think like the aviation enthusiast and 'expect the unexpected' because it will be in there...somewhere!

There are two other Henstridge features which are a must for every visitor. First, and what it is all about, is the presence of Dorset & Somerset Air Ambulance. Subject of course to any emergency tasking, the helicopter will come across to crowd-side and give you the chance to meet and greet the crew. This year is especially interesting as it will be our first opportunity to show off the recently commissioned Augusta-Westland (AW) 169. This new state-of-the-art twin-engine machine with advanced avionics and increased capacity provides even greater range and operational-capability, increasing its availability from 12hrs to 19 hrs with full crew. The second, and of almost equal priority, is the 'Wings & Wheels' catering. The Clubhouse and Marquee offer a variety of meals, snacks and drinks throughout the day. But it's the lunch-time specials of Hog-roast and, what is known to the team as 'Joe's Barbie', that are the absolute essentials to complete your day.

The gates open at 10:00 am and the airfield closes around 5:30pm....parking is free and there are facilities for disabled visitors, albeit these are somewhat limited by the site itself. For more information please visit www.dorsetcarclub.co.uk and follow us on Facebook; and would potential exhibitors and traders please phone in advance 07887 744163 (24hrs) to book your place.

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New Era For Air Ambulance Patients In Dorset and Somerset

DORSET and Somerset Air Ambulance is delighted to announce that its new AgustaWestland 169 (AW169) helicopter successfully entered service in early June. It became the first AW169 to enter air ambulance operational service in the UK and is the culmination of years of planning and development.

The aircraft was selected following an extensive evaluation process. Its outstanding characteristics, superior capabilities and safety standards have ensured unprecedented levels of mission effectiveness and will provide an enhanced life-saving service for the people of Dorset and Somerset.

Bill Sivewright, Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance Chief Executive Officer said:

"It has always been the Charity's aim and clear vision to pursue clinical excellence; pairing Critical Care Teams with the outstanding capabilities of the AW169 s is a natural development of that vision. Patient benefit remains our top priority and this was the single biggest criteria in selecting the new aircraft.

"Our ambitions and clinical aspirations determined a particular requirement from whichever aircraft we selected. The capabilities and flexibility offered by the AW169 made it a clear winner and in our view it was the only aircraft which fully met our criteria. Another major plus in selecting a new mark of aircraft is that you are taking advantage of the latest advances in technology. That means that it is safer and easier to maintain and operate."

The medical equipment in the AW169 is not hugely different to that which was carried on the Charity's previous aircraft, however, the biggest difference is the space inside the cabin. This allows the Critical Care Team to have complete access to a patient, head to toe; a significant benefit if a patient needs further intervention or treatment on-route to hospital.

Over the past few months, the life-saving service has increased its operating hours from 12 to 19 hours a day (07.00am – 02.00am). During this time and in the hours of darkness, the crews have been deployed using a Critical Care Car. The helicopter remains based on Henstridge Airfield and, subject to tasking, everyone at 'Wings & Wheels' will have a unique opportunity to visit G-DSAA and meet the team. The service is wholly reliant on your support so please give generously while you enjoy this outstanding regional show.

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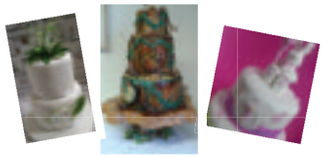

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Thousands of specs for those in need

ILMINSTER Lions have once again been collecting old spectacles from the town's residents to send to third world countries.

Nigel Clymow, pictured, has been collecting used spectacles for Ilminster Lions since 2011. In his first year he dispatched 12,037 pairs to Chichester Lions, who collect them from across the country and then send them to Le Havre Lions in France, from where they are distributed to some of the poorest countries in the world.

In total Nigel has helped to send 75,287 spectacles to developing countries and this year alone, the people of Ilminster and district have donated 7,338 pairs.

Mr Clymow said: "A 'thank you' certificate is awarded in January to all who participate, stating how many glasses each has contributed to the collection for the year.

"Thank you to everyone who donates their used spectacles and participates in collections."

It's all about the humble spud

A SOMERSET potato farm is looking at innovative ways of growing the best tasting spuds.

Dillington Estates, near Ilminster is working in partnership with research organisations and Branstons potato farm to drive productivity and improve marketable yield.

The Estate is one of four Strategic Potato (SPot) Farms in Great Britain and forms part of the Agriculture and Horticulture Development Board's Farm Excellence Platform, which inspires industry to improve performance and succeed through farmer-to-farmer knowledge exchange.

Dillington Farm manager Ollie Blackburn opened the farm gates for a 'field walk' event recently to allow other local growers and agronomists to discuss the ideas being put into practice.

The topics covered at Dillington are centred around the balancing of nitrogen and irrigation in order to produce consistent eating quality of fresh market potatoes, without endangering yield.

Branston Senior Agronomist, Ben Mitchell said: "The demonstration on the Electra variety is one I will be watching closely. Last season the average yield from 18 local growers was a credible 60 tonnes per hectare."

Mr Blackburn said: "We've taken soil type and previous yield into account and have used 120kg/ha of nitrogen on our commercial Electra crops. We are demonstrating this rate with one higher, at 150kg/ha, and one lower at 90kg/ha, as well as exploring standard and reduced irrigation rates.

AHDB Potatoes Knowledge Exchange Manager Anne Stone said: "The SPot Farm Programme provides a platform for local farmers to explore the potential for new technology and best practice in a commercial setting.

"We have experts from various parts of the industry involved including the Dillington team, Branston, and Dr Mark Allison of NIAB CUF, who is providing scientific back-up to the demonstration."

Mr Blackburn added: "The partnership we have formed here has given us the benefit of research and development knowledge and information on what the consumer is looking for. Using our awareness of the land here at Dillington we were keen to see if the latest thinking could improve the quality of the product we are producing."

ASHILL Community Primary School key stage 2 students entertained visitors at the school summer fayre with a ukulele concert.

The event was well supported by family and friends of the school and raised more than £800 for PTFA funds which paid for the transport for the school summer outings.

Key stage 2 children enjoyed a three-day adventure to Kilve Court Activity Centre, taking part in high ropes, bush craft, pottery, rifle shooting, archery, grass sledging, a climbing wall and an evening cricket match.

The key stage 1 children, meanwhile, visited Tropiquaria. They loved seeing the animals and the aquarium but holding the snakes and the bearded dragon was the highlight of the experience.

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Conservatory destroyed by 'accidental' blaze

A CONSERVATORY at a home in Crewkerne was destroyed in a fire.

Three fire engines from Crewkerne, Yeovil and Beaminster were mobilised at around 5pm on July 30 to the incident in Henhayes Lane after the alarm was raised by the occupant of the property.

On arrival at the home the firefighters found the blaze involved a conservatory/utility room at the rear of the two-storey privately rented property, with the rest of the house heavily smoke-logged.

Firefighters quickly got to work to put out the blaze and then spent time ventilating the house and an adjoining property.

A spokesman for the Devon and Somerset Fire and Rescue Service said: "The cause of the fire has been confirmed as accidental, after the occupant was burning paper to the rear of the property and it got out of control.

"The small conservatory/utility was destroyed by the fire, with a small amount of fire damage to the kitchen, and the remainder of the property suffering 90 per cent damage by smoke.

"No persons were injured but the property has been left uninhabitable."

Medical centre's new kit

THE Friends of Essex House Medical Centre in Chard have been able to purchase two pieces of important medical equipment, costing more than £2,000.

The Friends have purchased a spirometer plus software for asthma patients, and a 24-hour BP monitor.

A spirometer is a device that helps diagnose and monitor certain lung conditions by measuring how much air you can breathe out in one forced breath.

A spokesman for the group said: "These items will be of huge benefit to the patients who use Essex House. Thank you to all our loyal supporters who made this possible."

■ CONCERT-goers enjoying the music at Speedwell Hall

Concert boost for hall repair fund

PLANS for a major facelift of The Speedwell Hall in Crewkerne have taken another step along the way thanks to a first concert organised by the trustees.

The concert raised more than £1,300 towards the £45,000 renovation of the hall in Abbey Street, which will involve replacing the main hall floor and redecorating the premises.

"We are very pleased with how well it went and how much it was enjoyed by the people who came," said Christine Rawe, a trustee and secretary of the hall. "The only disappointment was the decision to switch the concert from the garden to the hall because of the uncertain weather forecast. "The poor weather may well have put more people off from coming."

Nevertheless 70 people enjoyed performances from singer-songwriter Julian Dawson, One Tree Hill band, South Somerset community choir, Yeovil ukulele band and singer Victoria Starr.

Among the comments received by the trustees after the event, was one from Ann, of Crewkerne, who said: "What a wonderful way to spend an afternoon. Well done to all who organised the event." Liz from Combe St Nicholas said: "The quality of all the acts was very high."

The Speedwell, a registered charity, is used by many organisations in the town, including toddler groups, Girlguiding units, a choir and the University of the Third Age.

Sixth birthday for OurSHOP

OURSHOP in Hinton St George has celebrated its sixth birthday in community ownership.

The shop has recently seen the installation of a new Post Office counter with the help of a £12,900 grant from the Post Office Network Transformation Community Branch Fund.

This good news comes on top of the shop's recent dual successes as both runner-up in the south west region of the Countryside Alliance Village Shop Awards and in reaching the last six out of 2,000 shops nationwide in the Post Office Community Champions Award competition.

Shop Committee Chairman David Clements commented: "For such a new enterprise the high placings in this year's regional and national competitions are a real achievement for the staff, volunteers and management committee.

"Customer reaction to the new counter has been great, but we won't stop there. OurSHOP's policy is one of continuous improvements and the Post Office grant not only covers the cost of installing a new counter, external sign and additional shelving but also the provision of new low energy freezers.

Collection raises £509

CREWKERNE & District Friends of Cancer Research UK held a collection in the town centre on June 30th, which raised £509 for the charity.

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Bilbys coffee shop prides itself in having a great range of home- made cakes and meals all made by them. Some of the recipes are traditional like their sponges, some are local recipes like the now famous Somerset apple cake and some are old family recipes like Janes Mum's Ginger shortbread and Boiled fruit cake.

They serve food Monday to Saturday from 9.00 to 5.00. One of the most popular meals is the All Day Breakfast and bacon deli rolls. Since 2001, Bilbys has improved its wheelchair access and now has a room that can be used for private parties. Many community organisations like the Chamber of Trade, Knit & Natter, The Book Club, The GO-OUT club and the Baptist church use this room. "Hatch, Match and Dispatch" - Bilbys also cater for christenings, weddings and funerals and many other types of functions. Jane now makes many bespoke celebration cakes all made to order. But like Jane and Tris say "We couldn't do any of this without two things; the best staff in Crewkerne and The best Customers"

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Music, magic, mayhem... and ukuleles!

BACK by popular demand, this top ukulele act is performing at the Marine Theatre on Tuesday, August 15th and Thursday, August 17th at 7.30pm.

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Big screen fun at the Beehive

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THE mischievous marvellous Minions are back! They hope that Gru will return to a life of crime after the new boss of the Anti-Villain League fires him. Instead, Gru decides to remain retired and travel to Freedonia to meet his long-lost twin brother for the first time. The reunited siblings soon find themselves in an uneasy alliance to take down the elusive Balthazar Bratt, a former 1980s child star who seeks revenge against the world.

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The Emily Askew Band to play Concerts in the West shows

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Emily and her fellow musicians John Dipper (viola d'amore, vile, fiddle) Jamie Roberts (voice, guitar), Louise Morgan (hand percussion and medieval bells) get to the very heart of songs, playing with a level of energy and drive that will captivate audiences.

Emily graduated with a first class honours BMUS at the Guildhall School of Music and Drama and received the Dove Memorial Prize for the highest BMUS mark in her year. As a member of the Askew Sisters, she has twice been a BBC Young Folk Award semi-finalist and in 2005 won the New Roots competition.

The Ensemble Askew perform a Ilminster Arts Centre at the Meeting House on Friday, September 8th at 8pm. Tickets are £15, available from the box office on 01460 55783, 9.30am-4.30pm Monday to Friday (Pre-concert suppers at 7pm - £14 advance booking required) www.themeetinghouse.org.uk. Doors open at 6.30pm.

The ensemble then play at The Dance House, Gouldsbrook View, North Street, Crewkerne, TA18 7AL, on Saturday, September 9th at 7.30pm. , is an exciting new arts venue for Crewkerne (The Dance House is just behind the Baptist Church in North Street) Tickets are £15. Available from the Town Hall. NB: Tickets are half price if this is the first Concert in the West performance you have attended. Concessions for students and children. For advance bookings please email concertsinthewest @gmail.com. or you can text 07776 995789 or book at Eventbrite www.eventbrite. co.uk or you can buy on the night from 6.45pm, but it is worth checking ticket availability beforehand. Interval drinks. Town parking and car parks. Doors open at 6.45pm.

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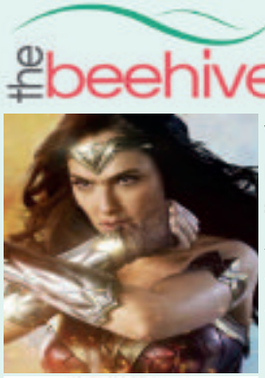

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THE TIGERS

AXMINSTER TOWN AFC

Season 2017-2018

RAY SELF - welcome to Tiger Way

We are a club for all seasons

Philip Evans
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HAVING moved from the much-loved home at Sector Lane in 2015, Axminster Football Club are about to embark on their second full season at their new £1million-plus ground and clubhouse at Tiger Way, just off the Chard Road.

Moving from Sector Lane was a wrench for many, such was its iconic status in local football. But few will argue that the transistion to the best local footballing facilities in Devon has not been good for Axminster Football Club, founded in 1903.

Indeed, there are many non-league clubs playing much higher up the football pyramid which are justifiably envious of the Tigers' facilities, on and off the pitch. No one closely connected with the club will deny that the transistion from one pitch at Sector with crumbling changing and social facilities to the modern clubhouse with two full-size pitches and playing area for Tigers of the future has been without its problems.

From a footballing point of view, the advantages have been obvious - Axminster Town now play in a higher standrard of football than any of their local rivals.With one-time Sector favourite Jon Hurford having taken on the managerial duties late last season, the Tigers finished in the topo six of the Peninsular South West (East Division).

And the ambition for the 2017-2018 season is go all out for promotion.

The driving force behind Axminster's climb up the footballing ladder has been led by former player, manager and long-serving committee member Ray Self.

As chairman of the club's management committee, he has steered the club through some very choppy waters to get to a position where he firmly believes that club is in the cusp of its greatest every achievements.

With three senior men's teams, a newly-formed women's section and and a vibrant youth section, Axminter Town FC is now among Devon's elite clubs with ambition to win a place in the Pininsular Premier Division or the Tool Station Western League.

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THE ONLY WAY IS UP - Axminster Football Club has a vibrant youth section with players starting as young as five

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Manager looking for promotion

Pulman's View Sports Editor HOWARD LARCOMBE talks to manager Jon Hurford about the Tigers' prospects for the coming season

AXMINSTER Town head into the 2017-18 season with player-manager Jon Hurford eagerly anticipating his first full season in charge.

The former Chard Town and Sherborne Town midfielder, who has patrolled the left flank in Axminster colours for many seasons - both at the old Sector Lane ground and now at the club's impressive new facility at Tiger Way, feels he has assembled an exciting young squad as they look to improve on last season's sixth placed finish in the South West Peninsula League Division One (West).

Hurford told *Pulman's Sport:* "Our aim is to get promoted, but to use the old cliché we will take each game as it comes and see how things develop.

"It's difficult to predict how things will pan out in our league as players move around so much, but I would say Teignmouth will be there or thereabouts again while St Martins have signed a lot of good players.

"We've tried to put together a squad of players who are comfortable on the ball and enjoy their football. I did consider bringing in a striker or two from further afield, but have abandoned that idea as we have got plenty options up front with the local lads we have who are all committed and not just here for the money.

"We already had Jamie Barfoot, Michael Knight and Tony Pinder on board and Sam Dibling will hopefully be playing much more this season. Dan Collins has come over from Perry Street where he banged in a lot of goals but also shows good movement, works hard and has an excellent first touch – I have some tough decisions to make."

The Tigers have lost the services of siblings Ben and Dan Clay who have moved to rivals Sidmouth Town. The latter, who once played in an FA Cup tie against Manchester United, will be a big boots to fill and brought vast experience having played for Exeter City. But Hurford is confident his engine room can cope: "Callum Garrett and Nathan Warren combine well in there and we've signed the former Chard Town captain George Chlopecki from Bridport who can operate in defence or as holding midfielder.

"But, having possibly lost Chris Duchenski, I am looking to add possibly one more to give me more options – Jacob Rowe impressed in the recent friendly with Ilminster and would be ideal, although I understand he maybe off to university - but if that is the case we'd play him when he is available."

The same applies to talented right winger Aaron Daniels who is set to begin his studies at Brighton: "When he's back he'll start for us," said Hurford who would be willing to step to accommodate either.

The Ax back five look a solid unit with former Combe and Chard defender Darren Hutchings arriving to play centrally or at left back, while the aforementioned Chlopecki joins the established Mark Scott and Mark Smale. Teenager Charlie Skilton, like Rowe a former member of the Exeter City academy, also looked classy on the ball at left back in preseason and is another major addition.

Between the sticks keeper Scott Wells-Burr has been an unsung hero: "He provides consistency and his distribution is second to none in our division, He's a vital cog in what I hope will be a young, hungry squad that will stay together for some time," said Hurford.

Jon Hurford in action for the Tigers

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SUPERB social facilities at Axminster Football Club's new clubhouse at Tiger Way are playing a big part in establishing the club as an essential part of community life in Axminster.

As well as providing the best footballing facilities of any amateur club in Devon, the £1 million-plus development off Chard Road is becoming increasingly popular as a venue for social occasions ranging from wedding receptions to skittles nights.

But maintaining such smart and comfortable surroundings don't come cheap and revenue raised from sponsorship, fundraising and hiring out the social facilities are crucial in keeping the club financially sound.

The club have two lucrative sponsorship deals with Axminster Tools & Machinery, who use the clubhouse frequently for company events, and brewers Marstons. Not only do they provide essential financial support but these two prestigious companies offer invaluable advice on corporate and marketing matters which enables the club to maximize its commercial potential.

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From 5 to 65, a football club for all age groups

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Ray commented: "The first couple of seasons has been about establishing ourselves and now we want to take the club forward in all areas.

"We ere keen to keep developing our youth structure and this coming season we will have 120 youngsters involved which is a good base to work from.

"We also want to look at establishing a veterans' team and our ambition is have people in the club from the age of five through to 65."

The chairman is also in talks to be able to offer facilities for the disabled to play football and is working closlely with the Axminster-based charity The Project to deliver this.

Off the field of play, Ray Self is determined to establish the club as an integral part of community life in Axminster by maximising use of the social facilities at Tiger Way.

Running the club is a near full-time job and Ray is acutely aware that he has to build around him a team of like-minded individuals who will share his determination to establish Axminster AFC as one of the foremost sporting clubs in the West of England.

Building for the future

AS WELL as boasting strong adult teams, Axminster Football Club also has a thriving youth section.

The youth section at Axminster Football Club, driven by former player Andy Hurford, starts with reception and year one youngsters, who make up the under 5s, but things don't get competitive until the under 7s side who play in the Exeter & District Youth League.

Last season the under 9s won their division's Plate Cup, while the under 14s group, have successful won the division across the last three age groups and won promotion to division one by finishing second last season.

This year, Axminster Football Club hope to develop an under 12s team, if anyone is interested, boys or girls, then contact the club via axminstertownyouthafc@gmail.com or visit the club's facebook page.

Coaches at the football club encourage the children to develop their skills and to build confidence. Not only does this improve their overall ability to play football it also helps to make the children confident in meeting and making new friends from outside their respective schools.

As well as coaching the youngsters, the club holds several functions each year. The events run throughout the year and will always include Halloween, Christmas and Easter as well as youth bingo. At the end of each season each age group, which spans from the under 5s to under 15s, enjoy a day out with their fellow players, this could be at Pecorama in Beer or Laser Quest in Weymouth, and the day out is organised by the coaches, who make sure the youngsters have a well deserved treat.

All coaches are FA qualified and have gone through criminal record checks and attended safeguarding courses.

Axminster Under 9s who were triumphant in the East Devon Youth League Plate Cup for their age group last season on Tiverton Town's ground

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With its light and airy ambience, the clubhouse makes an ideal venue for special occasions such as weddings, family parties, annual dinners and company gatherings with the capability of a 150-seated function. The indoor facilities can be enhanced by the erection of a marquee adjacent to the club and recently two tepee tens were set up outside the main building to accommodate guests.

The club also organises numerous fundraising activities of its own, including regular music events and mystery murder nights.

Future events include a sporting dinner on September 30th featuring former Liverpool player Alan Kennedy, a comedian and an auction. Tables of eight can be purchased for £280.

Another event which is likely to draw a big crowd to Tigers Way "Rock The Night" featuring three popular music acts, Rocky Ronnie, We R 4 and Red Sky on Saturday, August 26th. Tickets are available at the club for £10 or £12 on the night with a bar and barbecue being A barn dance is planned for October 28th and another mystery murder night will be held in November. The club also stages regular bingo nights.

With four teams competing in the Axm3inster Skittles League and the club has recently invested in two new portable alleys.

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Axminster Ladies off to a flying start

Axminster Town Ladies is one of the fastest growing clubs in area with numbers of interested player more than quadrupling in less than a year.

The idea was first conceived for a women's team when a joint venture between the club and a couple of mothers whose sons played in the youth teams, decided to go ahead and attempt to form a side.

Club member Martin Keightley volunteered to take on the role as manager and organised a meeting in the town for women, interested in playing football to go along and find out more. Four ladies turned up to the meeting in October last year, but the group wasn't disheartened and they started training a month later. Following a push on social media and posters around Axminster, the ladies now boasts ranks of 18 and will enter the Devon Women's League this season.

And players at the team, are already being recognised for their talents with the team's vice captain Danielle Wills being called up to play for Devon Ladies later this month.

The teams ethos has always been to have fun, meet new friends, kept fit and enjoy playing football.

The club is always on the lookout for new players from 15 upwards and the team trains on a Sunday at 2pm at Tiger Way. So pop along and meet Martin and the team.

Axminster Ladies opened their friendly pre-season fixtures in fine style with a 6-0 home win over Hamilton Ladies. Before the league season commences they have further friendlies against Seaton Town and Ottery St Mary.

Axminster Ladies pictured with manager Martin Keightley and their coaches

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THIS year, July at The David Hall had only one main music gig - but what a fantastic night it was when we welcomed Texan Blues artist, Eugene Hideaway Bridges, and his band. The evening had a real "Wow!" factor with our large audience totally captivated by this performance. True Blues mixed with Soul, Funk, Gospel and Rock was loved by all. For me, the highlight was a medley of the songs of the legendary Sam Cook. A truly special night that we will certainly try to repeat in the not too distant future.

For lovers of Blues, an early date for your 2018 diary should be Thursday, January 11th when the ever-popular British artist Paul Jones performs for us with fellow Blues band member, Dave Kelly. Tickets will be on sale in mid-November and are sure to go very quickly.

On Saturday, July 15th, a different type of musical event took place with the sell-out performance of a night of Flamenco by dancers Aneta Skut and Victoria Clifford and their musicians. The event was really well received, as was the Spanish-influenced food. This was a new venture for The David Hall that I feel sure will be repeated very soon.

As usual, the only music in August will be during Acoustic Night on Friday 25th. This break will give the Board of Petherton Arts Trust and its invaluable volunteers the chance to recharge our batteries and prepare for the Autumn programme, which is already selling well.

It is with great sadness that I report the death of one of our regular performers - Vin Garbutt. Vin died on June 6th following heart surgery. He was due to perform for us in October and will be sadly missed by all who love Folk music. Vin was not only a great performer but one of the world's truly great men. RIP, Vin!

Musically, The David Hall's Autumn programme begins on Friday, September 8th with the singer/songwriter and guitarist, Allan Taylor. A week prior, on Friday 1st, we shall be supporting Eliza and Martin Carthy at The Octagon Theatre in Yeovil. Full details of all our Autumn events can be found on the website www.thedavidhall.org.uk Plus, printed programmes are widely available in South Petherton as well as at The David Hall. Or, call 01460 240 340 to request a copy.

As is always the case, tickets are already selling very fast for both nights of the visit by our regular 'Christmas troubadours' when the ever-popular St Agnes Fountain visit in December. Please note that this year they are not performing on their usual dates but will be with us on Monday 18th and Tuesday 19th. This is when, for all of us at The David Hall, Christmas really begins!

Finally, another date for your 2018 diary is the Petherton Folk Fest, which will be returning next year on Saturday 16th June.

Happy Hols to everyone!
Pete Wheeler
Petherton Arts Trust

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The Lost World

ONCE more the brilliant Illyria Theatre arrives on Theatre Square to take you somewhere you haven't been on Wednesday, August 16th at 6pm.

Where better than the Theatre Square on the Jurassic Coast to bring dinosaurs? The excellent Illyria Theatre proudly presents this monstrous production as four intrepid explorers, led by the redoubtable Professor Challenger, travel to unchartered territory in South America. With the help of a few scant sketches they stumble on some war faring tribes and terrifying dinosaurs, all they need to do is prove they exist.

Michael Crichton and Steven Spielberg borrowed this title for the sequel to the book/film Jurassic Park. Thanks to them it now tells an audience exactly what they're going to get: Dinosaurs!

Storytellers since before Homer have spun yarns about adventurers' travels to strange lands and the monsters they meet there. But Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's version of the story transcends all previous versions because his adventurers were the first to bring the monsters back! He inspired the likes of King Kong, Godzilla, Alien and a host of other classic monster movies!

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Illyria has an unmatched reputation for innovation in the open-air touring theatre sector, where they are the first company to tackle a show in this genre and of this scope. Prehistoric thrills, monster laughs and life-size dinosaurs abound in the must-see show of the summer!

So leave your reasonable doubt behind and bring along your vivid imagination to the Marine Theatre on Wednesday, August 16th at 6pm.

Tickets: Full Price £14, Concessions £12, Family (2 adults, 2 children) £40. Tickets can be bought from the Tourist Information Centre tel 01297 442138 (10% booking fee applies) or online www.marinetheatre.com

Ilminster Cinema at Warehouse Theatre celebrates 30th season

THIRTY year's ago, at the Warehouse Theatre in Brewery Lane, Ilminster, the paint was hardly dry when the new film club, The Cinema at the Warehouse, was formed. Two well-worn 35mm projectors were installed and a screen was hung and a programme of a dozen films drawn up. Membership took time to grow, but grow it did and nowadays there are over 200 members each season.

The is club is celebrating its 30th season on Sunday, December 17th with a screening of Babette's Feast, a wonderful Danish film we showed 30 years ago on reel-to-reel, of course. All films are now shown on DVD, which the club buys and adds to its free-to-members library each year. Babette's Feast is our Christmas special and an excuse for a celebratory drink.

The Warehouse provides a fine venue for movies, with its comfortable raked seating, a large screen and a central location in Ilminster. The club is run by a committee and volunteers and offers a rich and varied programme of 12 or so recently released, acclaimed films, both foreign and English language – movies that tend not to get shown locally by the major cinema chains. This year's collection includes: Paterson; The Olive Tree; Manchester by the Sea; A Bigger Splash; Babette's Feast; Burn, Burn, Burn; Divines, Arrival; Tanna; I, Daniel Blake; Mustang.

Membership for the year is just £24 (£2 per film) with free coffee and biscuits and free use of the DVD library. We are currently enrolling members for the 2017-2018 season. For more information and to join, go to www.cinemaatthewarehouse.co.uk or email crisrainbow44@gmail.com.

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PERRY STREET: John De Barra live at the Perry Street Club, 9pm.

BEER: Wurlitzer Theatre Organ Show - Richard Monks, Dance and Theatre Organist, will entertain at the Congregational Church, Fore Street, Beer, EX12 3JQ. The show starts at 2.00pm, admission £7.00 on the door, children free, refreshments included, everyone welcome. For further info visit www.beerwurlitzer.org.uk or phone 01297 24892.

SOUTH PERROTT: Flower Festival in St Mary's Church, South Perrott (on A356) from 11am to 5pm. Cream teas available from 2pm. Contact Ann on 01935 891224.

SEATON: Bird Ringing Demonstration at the Discovery Hut, Seaton Wetlands. 9am. No booking required, free, Discovery Hut at Seaton Wetlands, Colyford Road, EX12 2SP. wildeastdevon.co.uk, 01395 517557, countryside@eastdevon.gov.uk

ILMINSTER: The Heritage of the Ile is holding its Annual Workshop at The Meeting House between 10 a.m. and 12.30p.m. There will be a display of old photographs, books, postcards and a new 2018 calendar for sale. There will be a raffle and refreshments will be available at The Meeting House Café. Please bring any old photographs which we will copy for the archives.

MUSBURY: Musbury Village Show, 2-4pm. At the village hall. This popular annual event showcases the talents of Musbury residents and those with a connection to the village. It features over 70 classes including vegetables, fruit, flowers and flower arranging, home produce, photography, crafts and various entries for children. As well as the exhibits there will be refreshments and a raffle. It's a great community event with the added zest of some friendly competition. Free entry to everyone on the day. Still thinking of putting something into the Show? Entry forms for exhibitors are available from the Musbury Spar. Deadline for entries is Wednesday 9th August.

MISTERTON: Misterton Annual Flower, Veg and Handicraft Show. At Misterton Village Hall, 1.30-4pm. With 16 categories and over 70 classes (floral exhibits, vegetables, home bake, preserves, art, crafts, photography, etc.), you can be sure of viewing some very good, varied and interesting displays at this ever popular annual event, with entries from all ages. Entry on the day is £1. Light refreshments will be available and there is plenty of free parking. The auction of goods is well worth staying around for as there's always a good bargain to be had with plenty of rivalry bidding for certain products! Look forward to seeing you there. Enq. 01460 74808/73934.

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Fishing in beautiful surroundings

STILLWATERS LAKE is a beautiful lake situated in the heart of the Yarcombe Valley at Moorhayne farm owned by Michael and Caroline Ford.

The lake was built nearly 20 years ago and was intended to be used as a quiet fishing area where those interested in having an away from it all fishing day can come and enjoy the peace of the area away from the rushing world.

Michael Ford says that you cannot hear a car from any major road but you might from time to time hear an aeroplane or the singing of every type of country bird.

The lake is one acre and is designed so that no more than 3 people fish it at any one time. If a family wishes to take the lake then there is an exception in that all the family who come can fish.

Michael Ford is very ready to give lessons to young people who up to the age of 12 can come and fish for half price and very often no charge is made if the child shows keenness. It is quite possible for disabled fishermen in wheel chairs to fish and there is are facilities near by.

The lake is approximately 1 acre in size and has a small fishing hut, barbeque and comfortable chairs which people can use, so the wife can come for her afternoon out while the husband fishes.

The lake has some wild brown trout ,some blue trout and some reared brown trout but mainly there are rainbows. "It is strange that they all seem to live together because I thought that rainbows killed other species" says Michael Ford however by the returns of fish every kind is caught.

Visitors are warned to use 10 lb breaking strain of gut because some fish are running up to that size and over.

The lake is open from February to December and there is a rule that people should telephone before coming to book (the majority do on 01404861284)

Michael Ford welcomes people who wish to take the whole lake for a session to themselves at no extra cost because he understands how important it is to have uninterrupted peace when fishing.

Stillwaters has a fresh water stream flowing through it and has sparking water. There is a boat that can be used as well under supervision.

Corporate bodies are welcome to entertain their guests.

For further information please contact the address above or ring on 01404861284 to book your day pr half day or evening session.

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Ilminster welcomes the ultimate sax-piano duo

ILMINSTER Arts Centre might be a small venue but it has a reputation for attracting some big names, particularly when it comes to jazz. The concert on Friday 25 August is no exception, as it features two of the biggest names in modern mainstream jazz: saxophonist Alan Barnes and piano maestro Dave Newton.

Both musicians have played before several times at the Arts Centre but this duo combination promises to be especially memorable. Alan Barnes and Dave Newton between them have collected numerous jazz awards and are among the most respected and admired musicians in their field.

Alan Barnes has been a key figure on the British jazz scene since the late 1970s. His strong tone, assured improvisations and imaginative arranging technique have marked him out as one of the country's top players. Alan has broadcast regularly with the BBC Big Band and Radio Orchestra and has played on film and television soundtracks and jingles. He has twice been awarded the prestigious BBC Jazz Instrumentalist of the Year award.

Dave Newton is, in Matt Skelton's words, 'one of our nation's treasured pianists'.

Scottish-born and educated at the Leeds College of Music, Newton's recording career had begun in 1985 with Buddy De Franco and Martin Taylor and his first solo album was released in 1988. He's been the accompanist of choice for vocal royalty for years, and it's easy to hear why: Newton's musical responsiveness is as impressive as his re-harmonization and arranging skills at the piano. Newton has been voted 'Best Jazz Pianist' in the British Jazz Awards for the thirteenth time in 2014 and was made a Fellow of Leeds College of Music in 2003.

Alan Barnes and Dave Newton play at Ilminster Arts Centre at the Meeting House on Friday, August 25th, at 8pm.

Tickets are £15, and this is likely to be a sell-out performance so advance booking is highly recommended. There are also a limited number of places for the pre-show supper, which is served at 7pm at an additional cost of £14 per head. To book please contact the Box Office on 01460 54973.

Pete Allen's traditional jazz values

THE feel good factor comes to Ilminster Arts Centre on Friday, August 11th with a performance by the hugely popular Pete Allen Traditional Jazz Band.

Pete Allen first appeared at the Arts Centre three years ago, and he returns in the company of his band, which is one of the best-known 'trad' bands in the country.

One of Europe's most talented and exciting exponents of the clarinet, Pete Allen first formed his band in October 1978, and since then it has made numerous appearances on television and radio as well as performing at prestigious jazz festivals and clubs throughout the UK and abroad. Along the way the band has acquired legions of enthusiastic fans and among the countless wedding receptions and birthday parties at which the band has performed over the years can be included a number of functions for Sir Ian Botham.

The band are renowned for their exciting and entertaining repertoire of happy traditional jazz. It's a sound that everyone can enjoy and understand being a combination of well-played music with professional presentation.

The concert at Ilminster Arts Centre is a must not only for traditional jazz fans but also for anyone who enjoys feel good, uplifting music being performed live in an intimate, low key venue. Tickets are £20, and a pre-show supper is available for £14 at 7pm, but must be pre-booked.

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■ Pete Allen

Advertiser's announcement

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As a Branch of Cats Protection we have to raise our own money from donations, from our shop in Sidmouth and by the hard work of our fund raising team. Led by Sheila Down, these volunteers raise money by holding various events throughout the year, such as the forthcoming annual "Cats' Garden Party". Here there will be stalls selling magnificent cakes, jewelry, bric-a-brac, hand made goods, gifts, books etc. and there may even be some kittens to cuddle!

As we are all volunteers, all the proceeds will be used to help us to care for the cats. So please join us and meet your local branch members, fosterers and supporters and enjoy a lovely afternoon!

If you would like more information, or you would like to help with fund raising, please call Sheila Down on 01404 812576

Please join us for our annual Cats' Garden Party at Homefield, Longdogs Lane, Ottery St Mary, on Saturday, August 12th at 2.30pm – 4.30pm.

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SATURDAY AUGUST 12TH

SEAVINGTON: Flower Show at the Millennium Hall, 2.30pm. Wonderful displays of flowers, vegetables, fruit, and handicrafts, with lots of tea and cake.

HINTON ST GEORGE: Hinton St. George 'Flix in the Stix' presents 'Beauty And The Beast' (PG), in the Hinton Village Hall at 7pm. Tickets £5 in advance from the Village Shop and Dorothy's Tea Room, or £5.50p on the door. To reserve Tickets please call 01460 72563.

PERRY STREET: John De Barra live at the Perry Street Club, 9pm.

BEER: Wurlitzer Theatre Organ Show - Richard Monks, Dance and Theatre Organist, will entertain at the Congregational Church, Fore Street, Beer, EX12 3JQ. The show starts at 2.00pm, admission £7.00 on the door, children free, refreshments included, everyone welcome. For further info visit www.beerwurlitzer.org.uk or phone 01297 24892.

SOUTH PERROTT: Flower Festival in St Mary's Church, South Perrott (on A356) from 11am to 5pm. Cream teas available from 2pm. Contact Ann on 01935 891224.

SEATON: Bird Ringing Demonstration at the Discovery Hut, Seaton Wetlands. 9am. No booking required, free, Discovery Hut at Seaton Wetlands, Colyford Road, EX12 2SP. wildeastdevon.co.uk, 01395 517557, countryside@eastdevon.gov.uk

ILMINSTER: The Heritage of the Ile is holding its Annual Workshop at The Meeting House between 10 a.m. and 12.30p.m. There will be a display of old photographs, books, postcards and a new 2018 calendar for sale. There will be a raffle and refreshments will be available at The Meeting House Café. Please bring any old photographs which we will copy for the archives.

MUSBURY: Musbury Village Show, 2-4pm. At the village hall. This popular annual event showcases the talents of Musbury residents and those with a connection to the village. It features over 70 classes including vegetables, fruit, flowers and flower arranging, home produce, photography, crafts and various entries for children. As well as the exhibits there will be refreshments and a raffle. It's a great community event with the added zest of some friendly competition. Free entry to everyone on the day. Still thinking of putting something into the Show? Entry forms for exhibitors are available from the Musbury Spar. Deadline for entries is Wednesday 9th August.

MISTERTON: Misterton Annual Flower, Veg and Handicraft Show. At Misterton Village Hall, 1.30-4pm. With 16 categories and over 70 classes (floral exhibits, vegetables, home bake, preserves, art, crafts, photography, etc.), you can be sure of viewing some very good, varied and interesting displays at this ever popular annual event, with entries from all ages. Entry on the day is £1. Light refreshments will be available and there is plenty of free parking. The auction of goods is well worth staying around for as there's always a good bargain to be had with plenty of rivalry bidding for certain products! Look forward to seeing you there. Enq. 01460 74808/73934.

SATURDAY AUGUST 12TH

YARCOMBE: Yarcombe market, 10am-12noon. Cakes, cards, honey and other stalls.

SUNDAY AUGUST 13TH

SOUTH PERROTT: South Perrott (on A356) village

HORTON
54th FLOWER SHOW
2pm Saturday 12th August 2017
Horton Village Hall
FREE ADMISSION
Donations at the Door Appreciated
Presentation of Awards 3pm
Vegetables Flowers
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Public Notices

PUBLIC NOTICE

LICENSING ACT 2003

To whom it may concern:

We, Axminster Arts Ltd, do hereby give notice that we have applied to the Licensing Authority at East Devon District Council for a new Premises License at The Old Courthouse, Church Street, Axminster, EX13 5AQ, at The Arts Café.

The application is to sell alcohol in the Arts Café at any time between Monday to Sunday 10.00am – 10.00pm. Occasional events will include live entertainment; such as music, dance or drama.

Any persons wishing to make representations to this application may do so by writing to the Licensing Manager, East Devon District Council, County Offices, Knowle, Sidmouth, EX10 8HL no later than 29th August 2017. www.eastdevon.gov.uk

A copy of the application can be viewed at the Licensing Authorities address during normal office hours.

It is an offence knowingly or recklessly to make a false statement in connection with this application, the maximum fine on summary conviction being £5,000

PUBLIC NOTICE FOR LICENSING APPLICATIONS

Licensing Act 2003

(Premises & Club Premises Certificates) Regulations 2005

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT HOME GROWN HOTELS LIMITED of Clayhill, Beechan Lane, Lyndhurst, Hampshire, SO43 7DD has applied to East Devon District Council for a Premises Licence at the land adjacent to The Pig at Combe, Gittisham, Honiton, EX14 3AD.

The licensable activities proposed to be carried on or from the premises are set out as follows :

- The Supply of Alcohol from 11:00 to 23:00 one day per year
- Showing of Films from 12:00 to 23:00 one day per year
- Live Music from 12:00 to 23:00 one day per year
- Recorded Music from 12:00 to 23:00 one day per year

Any person wishing to make representations to this application may do so by writing to The Licensing Manager, East Devon District Council, Council Offices, Knowle, Sidmouth, EX10 8HL not later than 28 days after the date of this notice. www.eastdevon.gov.uk

A copy of the application can be viewed at the Licensing Authority's address during normal office hours.

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Pulman's Property View
The key to finding your perfect home

5 TIPS FOR UNDERSTANDING PERMITTED DEVELOPMENT

By Julia Gray, Press Association

You don't always need planning permission for building work - your home's permitted development rights could save you time and money, but what are they?

1. Big home improvements, like loft conversions and extensions, can often be done under your home's permitted development (PD) rights. This means you don't need planning permission, as long as you stick to the PD rules governing width, height, materials, etc. However, it's advisable to apply to your local council for a lawful development certificate for building work that doesn't require planning permission. When you come to sell your home, this certificate is invaluable because it proves the work is lawful.

2. The PD rules can be different for different types of house - with loft conversions, any additional roof space created must not be more than 40 cubic metres in terraced houses, and 50 cubic metres in detached and semi-detached houses. The PD rules can also be different on 'designated land', which includes conservation areas and Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty. For example, side extensions are not permitted development on designated land.

3. Flats and maisonettes don't have PD rights and some houses have had theirs removed, or partially removed - this is often the case in conservation areas. Permitted development isn't just about major building work - if your home doesn't have PD rights, you'll probably need planning permission for things as simple as erecting a garden shed, decking or paving your garden, and replacing the windows and external doors.

4. Until 30 May 2019, most houses (exceptions apply) can build a longer rear extension without planning permission than would normally be allowed under the PD rules. For detached houses, rear extensions can be 8m instead of 4m long and for attached houses, 6m instead of 3m. However, the local council will consult your immediate neighbours about your plans and if any object, it can uphold their objection and refuse permission for the extension. Some councils frown on extensions of more than 3m if you have an adjoining neighbour or neighbours (even if they don't object), although it may be possible to do a longer extension on the non-adjoining side in the case of semis.

5. To find out more about the PD rules, go to www.planningportal.co.uk, where the information includes guides to popular building projects, such as extensions and loft conversions, and an interactive house, terrace, flat and shop. However, the most accurate way to find out which rules and regulations apply to your home and proposed building project, is to speak to your local council. You may not realise, for example, that you live on designated land or in a house that has had its PD rights removed.

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JEREMY Smith, Residential Partner based in the award winning estate agents Symonds & Sampson in Beaminster has a new team photograph! Jeremy commented 'having spent many years in estate agency there is no question in my view that consistency within a team is the key to success and this is reflected in the fact that the core of my team have been together for many years. Individually myself and my sales colleagues have many years of estate agency experience in not only many different types of markets, but also towns and cities. This experience is invaluable when it comes to understanding your buyer's wants and needs, which probably explains why currently we are selling more than double the number of properties in DT8 than any other estate agent. We are also fortunate enough to have three outstanding viewing representatives and therefore we can accompany viewings at request seven days a week'

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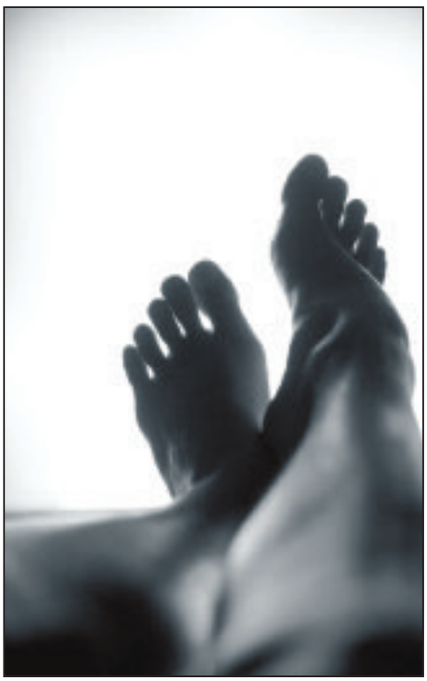

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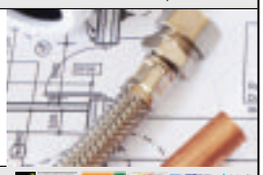

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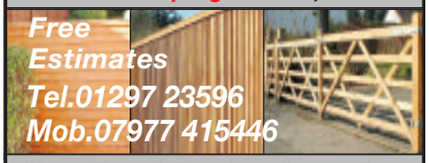

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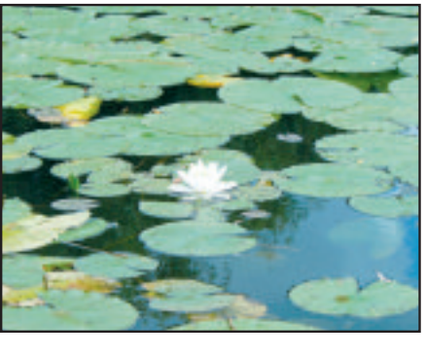

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Nissan Navara Trek-1°: High-spec special version of award winning pick-up on sale now

THE tough and stylish Nissan Navara Trek-1° special version is on sale now in the UK priced from £35,065 OTR (inc. VAT). Based on the multi-award winning range-topping Tekna grade in double cab specification, Trek-1° adds a host of additional extras boosting the visual and practical appeal of the already well-specified pick-up.

The name Trek-1° takes inspiration from the geographical location of the Navarre desert in northern Spain – at -1° longitude.

Navara Trek-1° is powered by the robust 2.3 dCi 190 engine, which offers ample performance, along with class leading economy figures of 44.9 mpg for the six-speed manual transmission and 40.1mpg for the seven-speed automatic. All versions offer 'on-demand' four-wheel drive as standard.

The already impressive Navara specification and styling is enhanced for Trek-1°. Alongside all the technology expected in a modern lifestyle vehicle, Trek-1° includes a number of desirable extras for an attractive price of just £3,435 inc. VAT above a top-spec Navara Tekna.

Exclusive extras for the Trek-1° include black sport styling bars, with two powerful forward-facing LED spot lamps attached to the top section, giving a finishing touch that's practical and stylish.

The Navara Trek-1° also comes with black side styling bars, black 18-inch six-spoke alloy wheels that are exclusive to Trek-1° and a smart new load bed cover. Made from high-grade durable plastic and finished in black or white, the load bed cover is hinged at the end closest to the cab and lifts easily using a single gas strut at either side.

This practical feature offers added security, allowing valuables to be secured from view. Beneath the cover is a load bed divider and liner, which keeps loads secure during transportation. It's fitted into the load bed's C-channel restraint system, allowing it to slide forwards and backwards for ease of access and loading.

The Trek-1° is finished in a choice of two striking exterior colours – Black Metallic or, unique to Navara Trek-1°, Storm White. Trek-1° decals on both sides of the load bed complete the visual enhancements.

The Nissan Navara is engineered to always be in its element, with practical capabilities including a more than one tonne payload, 3.5 tonne towing capacity, and four-wheel drive modes which can be adapted to range from heavy-duty off-roading to around-town workhorse.

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The MG3 is stylish, fun and competitively priced. Add to this the fact that it falls into the Group 4E category for insurance, and premiums for the MG3 can prove significantly less than many of its competitors. This should be music to the ears of cash-strapped students facing the gauntlet of high insurance premiums.

The low cost of the MG3 hasn't come at the price of aesthetics, however, with all models benefitting from signature front LED daytime running lights, black A-pillars and sports seats with contrasting red stitch detail. Perhaps the most exciting aspect of the MG3 is the amount of freedom owners have when it comes to personalising its look. The huge range of colours, exterior graphics, interior colour packs and part-leather upholstery was created by MG's UK-based sister company SAIC Motor UK Technical Centre and inspired by the British fashion industry.

There are four models in the MG3 range; all have an electronic hill hold, six airbags, electronic stability control, corner brake control and traction control as standard, as well as one of the largest and most spacious cabins in the Supermini class. Additionally, aside from the entry level model, all MG3s also feature a high-quality DAB audio system.

Matthew Cheyne, Head of Sales and Marketing at MG Motor UK, said: "The MG3 was built with fun in mind. It's brilliant to drive, safe and can be personalised to the owner's own taste. Add to this the fact that it's one of the most affordable cars in its class, with prices starting at just £8,695, and it really is the perfect car for students. What's more, with dealerships in major student cities, there has never been a better time for university-goers to bag themselves their ideal car."

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Taunton St Andrews	14	231
Glastonbury	14	204
Bishopston	14	199
ILMINSTER	14	164
Taunton	14	161
Taunton Deane	14	161
Keynsham	14	158
Shapwick & Polden	14	146
Lansdown	14	132
Claverham	14	98

WEPL Somerset	Pld	Pts
Weston-super-Mare	14	260
NORTH PERROTT	14	239
Wembdon	14	192
Bridgwater	14	172
North Petherton	14	160
Staplegrove	14	141
Minehead	14	133
CHARD	14	129
Temple Cloud	14	112
Wellington	14	112

Somerset Premier	Pld	Pts
Frome	14	403
Uphill Castle	14	375
Middlezoy	14	362
YEOVIL	14	329
Street	14	322
Ashbrittle	14	303
Taunton St And 2	14	302
Taunton Deane 2	14	299
Cheddar	14	250
Butleigh	14	196

Somerset Div 2	Pld	Pts
Winscombe	13	336
Shapwick & Pold 2	12	331
Weston-s-Mare 2	13	317
Long Sutton	13	310
Burnham	12	293
Bridgwater A	13	290
Taunton 2	12	241
Purnells	12	240
CHARD 2	12	184

Somerset Div 3	Pld	Pts
Wells	14	419
Minehead 2	14	413
Frome 2	14	372
BROADWAY & H	14	346
ILMINSTER 2	14	296
Watchet	14	294
Kilve	14	286
North Newton	14	274
BARRINGTON	14	230
Huish & Langport	14	224

Somerset Div 4	Pld	Pts
Trull	13	405
Lympsham & Belv	12	335
Wellington 2	12	303
ILTON	13	277
S PETHERTON	12	264
Huntspill & Dist	13	249
Wembdon 2	12	245
Castle Cary	13	228
Kilmington & Stn	12	224

Somerset Div 5	Pld	Pts
Peasdown St John	14	399
CREWKERNE	14	398
Uphill Castle	14	357
Street 2	14	337
NORTH PERROTT 2	14	326
Cranmore	14	311
Hardington & WC	14	267
Taunton St And A	14	242
Curry Rivel	14	181
Churchill	14	164

Somerset Div 6 (S)	Pld	Pts
YEOVIL 2	14	426
Lydford	13	373
Staplegrove 2	14	364
Taunton Deane Cav	14	340
Taunton A	14	301
Sparkford	13	300
Bridgwater Pointers	14	279
North Petherton 2	14	275
Huish & Langport	14	168
Middlezoy 2	12	159

Somerset Div 7S	Pld	Pts
Long Sutton 2	14	427
Trull 2	14	338
CREWKERNE 2	15	315
Wellington 3	14	308
Taunton Deane Crus	15	301
Taunton St And B	14	299
Wincanton	14	283
BROADWAY & HOR	14	277
N PERROT ACAD	14	212
BARRINGTON 2	14	69

Somerset Div 8 (s)	Pld	Pts
YEOVIL 3	11	328
Lydford 2	12	316
S PETHERTON 2	12	301
CHARD A	12	281
Castle Cary 2	13	280
ILTON 2	13	222
ILMINSTER A	12	198
Sparkford 2	12	84
Huish & Langport	13	-187

cricket around the south somerset teams

Johnson shows his class with ton

Spare points hauls for Ilminster and Chard - Barrington finish all square

WEPL
Premier Division Two
(Bristol/Somerset)
LANSDOWN 57 FOR 4 (11.2ov)
BEAT ILMINSTER 56 ALL OUT (31.5ov)
BY SIX WICKETS

ILMINSTER had a day to forget as they were shot out for just 56 at Combe Park on Saturday.

The hosts, struggling near the foot of the table, won the toss and invited the Bears to bat first.

They were immediately on the back foot as George Hayward was dismissed off the first ball of the match by seamer Josh Smith who went on to record superb figures of 9-3-12-4.

And things never really improved as James Thompson, coming in at number nine, top scored with a 37-ball 11. Nobody else reached double figures and only six boundaries were struck as Ilminster crumbled to 56 all out in the 32nd over.

Sam Grinter cleaned bowled Smith with the score on 12 and then did the same to Kofi James to make it 20 for 2. Thompson also struck twice, but the unlikely victory was never really on and the hosts reached their target off just 68 deliveries.

Ilminster 2pts, Lansdown 20.

Somerset Division
CHARD 82 ALL OUT (33.3ov)
WEMBDON 85 ALL OUT (43ov)

CHARD will be disappointed to have failed to chase down the small target of 85 set by visitors Wembdon and now sit third from bottom.

Home skipper Scott Wells-Burr won the toss and opted to invite Wembdon to bat first. They'd reached 34 for 1 before Chris Scott (10-5-14-4) stepped up to claim four wickets and this was then matched by Pete Moxom (5-0-16-4) as the visitors stumbled to 85 all out in the 43rd over.

Chard were in trouble early on at 5 for 2 but Moxom and Jon Dalwood staged a recovery to take the score up to 36.

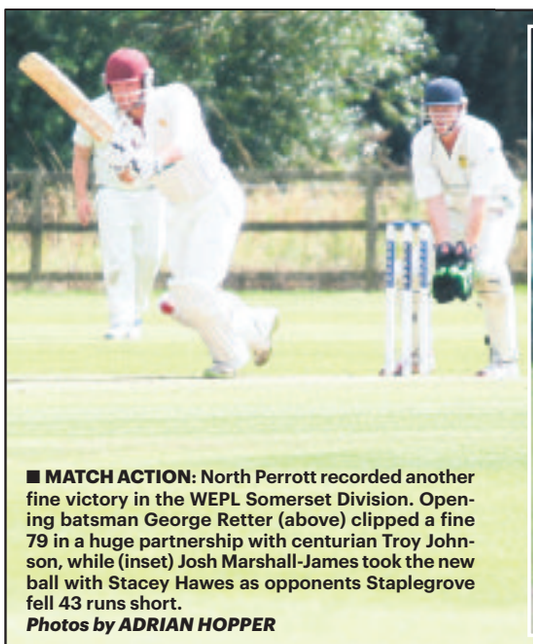
Once they were split the hosts lurched to 51 for 8. A 21-run stand for the ninth wicket between Jon and Richard Scott raised home hopes but they were dashed when the latter was run out with Chard an agonising three runs short.

Chard 7pts, Wembdon 17.

NORTH PERROTT 269 FOR 7
STAPLEGROVE 226 FOR 6

NORTH Perrott cemented their second place with a Troy Johnson-inspired victory over Staplegrove at Willis Lane.

The Australian, well clear at the top of the league's individual run scoring chart, moved to within 26 runs of 1000 for the season as he racked up his fourth hundred.



■ **MATCH ACTION:** North Perrott recorded another fine victory in the WEPL Somerset Division. Opening batsman George Retter (above) clipped a fine 79 in a huge partnership with centurian Troy Johnson, while (inset) Josh Marshall-James took the new ball with Stacey Hawes as opponents Staplegrove fell 43 runs short.
Photos by ADRIAN HOPPER

Batting first, Perrott lost skipper Gordon Whorlow for 16, but a second wicket stand of 196 between Johnson (112) and George Retter (79) put them in a strong position and they eventually closed on 269 for 7 in the 35th over.

With the game reduced to a 41 over affair due to rain, Stacey Hawes struck early but once again the bat held sway and Staplegrove advanced to 170 for 2 with half-centuries from Brandan Craggs (64) and skipper Ian Bishop (66).

But a three-wicket burst from Alex Eckland (3 for 38), fresh from his promising appearance for Dorset in last week's win over Wales MC Unicorns, put the brakes on and they fell 43 runs short.

North Perrott 20pts, Staplegrove 8.

Next Saturday's fixtures
Ilminster v Claverham, Minehead v Chard, North Perrott v North Petherton.

SOMERSET LEAGUE
Premier
Yeovil 89 for 5 (D.Ewens 21) Ashbrittle 88 all out (D.Legg 4-18).
Yeovil 34pts, Ashbrittle 9.

Division Two
Burnham 184 for 6 (R.Driver 87*; A.Clancy 2-31) Chard 2nds 97 all out (D.Druce 22); B.House 3-16, E.Lewis 3-17, J.Annison 3-23).
Chard 10pts, Burnham 34.

Division Three
Kilve 180 all out (T.Lott 63, W.Monro 50; R.Hilton 4-22) Broadway & Horton 247 all out (I.Hosken 72, A.Mason 46, D.Lowman 45*; T.Lott 3-28).
Broadway & Horton 35pts, Kilve 15.

Barrington 114 all out (M.Watts snr 46; F.Barton 4-15) Frome 2nds 114 all out (A.Pitman 4-14).
Barrington 27pts, Frome 27.
Ilminster 2nds Watchet.

Division Four
South Petherton 136 for 7 (A.Tinsley 60) Huntspill & District 135 all out (T.Ross 3-32).
South Petherton 34pts, Huntspill 13.

Ilton 156 for 8 (L.Male 59; J.Castle 3-19) Castle Cary 155 for 8 (J.Elsworth 45; D.Price 4-17).
Ilton 32pts, Castle Cary 15.

Division Five
Crewkerne 205 for 7 (C.Male 52, N.Keylock 36*, A.Lawrence 31; H.Fear 3-47) Churchill 75 all out (H.Welshman 30; F.Wallace 4-7, M.Nunns 3-20, R.Keylock jnr 3-29).
Crewkerne 35pts, Churchill 10.

Hardington & West Coker 131 for 3 (O.Curson 55; H.Desroy 2-12) North Perrott 2nds 119 for 9 (B.Moy 33; M.White 3-7).
North Perrott 8pts, H&WC 30.

Division Six
Taunton A 160 all out (A.Hallows 41) Yeovil 2nds 249 for 5 (M.Dyer 115*, S.Fuller 57, B.Richards 42*; J.Jewell 3-53).
Yeovil 35pts, Taunton 13.

Division Seven (S)
Broadway & Horton 2nds 190 for 3 (D.Garland 76*, L.Watkins 62) North Perrott Academy 95 all out (F.Hayton 20; L.Watkins 4-8).
B & H 34pts, NP Academy 7.

Wincanton 209 all out (G.White 65, P.Lake 45; H.Hodder 3-17) Crewkerne 2nds 103 all out (G.Shipton 48; J.Hicks 3-16).
Crewkerne 15pts, Wincanton 35.

Taunton Deane Crusaders 35pts Barrington 2nds (no team) -30.

Division Eight (S)
Sparkford 2nds 154 for 6 South Petherton 2nds 153 all out.
South Petherton 13pts, Sparkford 35.

Castle Cary 2nds 79 for 6 Ilton 2nds 77 all out (no other details available).
Ilton 9pts, Castle Cary 32.

Yeovil 3rds 35pts Ilminster A (no team) -30.

Saturday's fixtures
Premier; Butleigh v Yeovil.
Division Two; Chard 2nds v Purnells.
Division Three; Broadway & Horton v Minehead 2nds, Watchet v Barrington, Huish & Langport v Ilminster 2nds.
Division Four; Trull v South Petherton, Lympsham & Belvedere v Ilton.
Division Five; Curry Rivel v Crewkerne, Churchill v North Perrott 2nds.
Division Six; Yeovil 2nds v Taunton Deane Cavaliers.
Division Seven (S); Crewkerne 2nds v Broadway & Horton 2nds, Wellington 3rds v North Perrott Academy, Barrington 2nds v Long Sutton 2nds.
Division Eight (S); Yeovil 3rds v Chard A, Ilminster A v Sparkford 2nds, South Petherton 2nds v Lydford 2nds, Ilton 2nds v Huish & Langport 3rds.

angling chard

Watts has the power

TWENTY ONE Chard AC members fished the final round of the Perry Street and Sadborow League on Sunday and Howard Watts finished off his campaign in style when he won the section, lake, match and league from peg 1 at Sadborow with 66lb 12oz of carp.

Mike Hosgood was second with 57lb 14oz which saw him clinch second spot in the league ahead of Shane Jeffery, and John Anderson was third with 52lb from peg 8.

Perry Street Low was won by Mike Smith with 44lb 8oz from peg 10 just edging Brendon Ions into second with 44lb 2oz from peg 7 and Mark Hollister was third with 35lb 12oz from peg 2.

Steve Bishop had the top weight in the Perry Street High section with 58lb 14oz from peg 14 with Geoff Young in second with 39lb 6oz from peg 17 and Steve Osborne was third with 17lb from peg 13.

The club would like to thank Les Braunton for running the league and also to Millfield café for looking after all the anglers with their excellent breakfasts.

Final League: 1st Howard Watts 19pts, 2nd Mike Hosgood 23, 3rd Shane Jeffery 26, 4th Brendon Ions 27, 5th Chris Whitham 29, =6th Jamie Rich and Steve Bishop 30.

Sadborow: 1st Howard Watts (Torquay) 66lb 12oz, 2nd Mike Hosgood (Exeter) 57lb 14oz, 3rd John Anderson (Donyatt) 52lb.

Perry Street Low: 1st Mike Smith (Torquay) 44lb 8oz, 2nd Brendon Ions (Torquay) 44lb 2oz, 3rd Mark Hollister (Chard) 35lb 12oz.

Perry Street High: 1st Steve Bishop (Chard) 58lb 14oz, 2nd Geoff Young (Torquay) 39lb 6oz, 3rd Steve Osborne (Chard) 17lb.

football winsham

Did you play for Winsham?

WINSHAM Football Club are holding a reunion for old players and members.

Anyone (and partners) involved with the club prior to the year 2000 are invited to the Winsham Sports & Social club on September 30th at 7.30pm.

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If you would like to attend please notify Brenda Partridge (07463 835 843/01460 30729) or Jim Loaring (07894 574 765/01460 64991).

jack high bowls round-up

Ilminster Men in Turnbull cup semi-final

■ **VERY WELCOME:** Severalls Jubilee Bowls Club in Crewkerne, recently played host to the Men's and Ladies' Somerset Bowls Association Presidential teams for a friendly match. Rain clouds kept their distance on the whole, enabling the match to take place in relatively dry conditions, the final score was 121-121. The final SBA President's match takes place on Wednesday, 13th September when the SBA men's President's team play the SBA Ladies President's team.

FENITON *with Roger Smith*
THE mixed team continued their winning ways in the East of Exe League beating HEMYOCK 70-54 to stay top of the league.

The winning rinks were; A Evans, D Downs, D Sanders & D Phillips 17-8, R Lovering, L Ley, R Veitch & I Veitch 19-13 and P Goodwin, A Pritchard, J Skinner & K Lovering 21-17.

No play was possible in the over 60s men's triples league or the over 50s ladies league due to the adverse weather conditions.

The mixed team won away at HONITON on all three rinks. They then lost 69-54 to visiting Sidmouth where the only winning rink was G Skinner, D Bowden & A Smith 13-12. A narrow 107-103 defeat followed against visiting Bridport despite winning on four of the five rinks.

The winning rinks were; B Bowden, R Crowe-Swords, T Cox & D Conbeer 28-16, A Evans, D Bowden, P Goodwin & A Kury 21-19, J Wheatley, D Phillips, R Smith & A Smith 17-16 and L Crook, J Skinner, L Ley & G Phillips 22-21.

Finally, they had a good 138-115 win against BRANKSOME.

The winning rinks were; B Bowden, A Pritchard, L Ley & A Kury 25-11, J Wheatley, T Milton, D Sanders & D Philllips 23-11, S Faulkes, M Everett, R Lovering & I Veitch 22-12 and D Faulkes, D Downs, B Cover & J Smith 22-20.

OTTERY ST MARY
with Mike Smith
THERE was a successful start to last week's campaign with a 66-48 victory at CULM VALE in the EEML, Ottery's best rink was Tony Bushell, Jan Richardson, Kevin Vernon & skip Dave Brown 25-4.

Both matches in the men's Over 60s league were called off due to the weather.

Ottery finished the week with two home victories. BUDLEIGH SALTERTON were were beaten 113-107, the best Ottery rink was Maurice Flower, Terri Ward & skip John Ward 29-14.

TOPSHAM were our final visitors of the week losing 118-92 overall, the best Ottery rink was Jan Richardson, Margaret Trayhurn, Keith Thorley & skip Richard Bland 22-8.

SEATON *with Alan Nicholas*
THERE was more success for the Club at MADIERA on Friday, July 28th, when Edward Backhouse and Richard Whitworth, won the Section 3 final of the Devon Unbadged Pairs 19-16. They now play the winners of Section 8 in the County quarter finals.

Meanwhile, the internal club competitions of the Ladies' Iris Aymes and Men's Ray Jeffery Memorial Trophy took place On Saturday, July 29th.

Both competitions to be played to semi-final on the one day. Both were 2 wood drawn pairs with each round played over 15 ends.

The following day the PRICE CUP was competed for between the Ladies and Gentlemen of the Club. With five rinks played over 21 ends the final result was 97-97 and the men, who were the holders, retained the title.

Tuesday, August 1st was 'sign up' day for the forthcoming Short Mat season.

In the afternoon, the Ladies' over 50s Triple Teams both played at home. The Blue team beat SHALDON 32-29. Top triple was: Lin Vieth, Lilian Hurley-Smith & Pat Whitworth. Seaton gained four points to move up to second in the table.

The red team beat ST THOMAS 57-21 to take all six points on offer. Top triple was Gill Sykes, Liz Wilde & Sue Dando.

The three scheduled matches for the over 60s Triple Teams on Wednesday, August 2nd were all cancelled due to the weather.

HONITON *with Julie Grant*
HONITON Ladies invited triples teams from Madeira, Budleigh, Sidmouth, Seaton, Dunkeswell and Bridport on Saturday afternoon. At the end of the mini tournament Budleigh emerged the winners.

Honiton suffered a narrow 63-61 loss in the East of Exe League match against UFFCULME. The best rink was Wally Heard, Berry Maynard, Ann Hillyear & Yvonne Rayner 23-14.

Honiton lost on all three rinks in the mixed friendly against Feniton going down 65-41.

In the Ladies' Over 50 league Honiton won overall against BUDLEIGH, top triple Di Hawkins, Joan Heard & Heather Chambers 28-8 and gained four points. Meanwhile, the match against Sidmouth Blue in the same league was lost.

CHARD *with Peter Avery*
ONLY two matches were played last week.

There was a heavy 119-80 defeat against the nomadic AVON & SOMERSET POLICE; only one of the five rinks was successful; Phil Stringer, Pauline Small, Peter Avery & Clive Small 28-10.

The other match was the semi-final of the Wessex League Cup played in the evening against ILMINSTER.

The format for the Cup is for two triples to be played home and away; the away games were shared (Lynn Beale, Fred Ward & Maurice Wakeling 20-15) and left Chard with a deficit of just one shot.

However, Ilminster were more successful at Chard winning both games and progress to the final.

The summer programme of friendly fixtures for the Club's short-mat players continues: a visit to CURRY MALLET,brought a 55-42 defeat, top rinks; Glen Milner, Phil Stringer & George Milner 9-8, Jenny Cornelius, Gillian Leighton & Bill Hucker 14-7.

There was then a six-game away match at STOKE-SUB-HAMDON which was lost by a single shot. The winning triples were; Rosie Barnard, Jenny Cornelius & Ron Genge 12-2; Rosie Barnard, Gillian Leighton & Bill Hucker 11-4 and Ena Stringer, Vic Barnard & Ron Genge 7-6.

The visit to CREWKERNE was brought a 44-29 defeat with only Glen Milner, Jenny Cornelius & George Milner being successful with a 9-5 win.

CHARDSTOCK
with Vaughan Fletcher
THE Club only managed two away friendly matches last week due to the bad weather, winning one and losing the other.

Both matches in the Over 60s Triples League were postponed.

Results - Friendly Matches:

Chardstock v SEATON (August 4th) 47-80; A Badley, V Barron, J Pratt & J Rolph 9-24

A Sebright, N Barron, Jeanette Porter & R Pratt 7-24; V Fletcher, K Tinkler, G Campbell & E Rolph 17-16; P Compton, J Tinkler, John Porter & M Toms 14-16.

Chardstock v HEMYOCK (August 6th) 51-47; N Mugridge, J Pratt, P Woods & E Rolph 15-17; A Waddington, M Copp, M Rogers & G Campbell 18-12; P Waddington, E Van der Meulen, R Pratt & J Rolph 18-18.

MERRIOTT *with Jean Crisp*
MERRIOTT played an away league match at SHERBORNE on July 29th. The match was abandoned after 11 ends because of the rain with Merriott comfortably ahead on all four rinks gaining all 16 points.

Scores: J.Parsons, P.Stow, I.Kendall & B.Dibble 19-6. C,Parsons, N.Whitfield, P.Melson & D.Heathcote 18-3. R.Self, C.Truscott, P.White & J.Crisp 10-4. D.Baker, A.Truscott, C.Woods & E.Rush 12-5.

The following day, and in much better weather, Merriott played a five-rink home friendly against SOUTH DORSET BOWLING ASSOCIATION who won on three of the rinks but by just three shots.

Scores: J.Parsons, P.Stow & V.Bull 12-20. R.Self, N.Whitfield & A.Bull 22-11. A.Truscott, C.Truscott & J.Booth 17-21. C.Woods, B.Dibble & J.Crisp 15-18. C.Parsons, P.Melson & S.Howson-Green 11-10.

On Tuesday, August 1st, 24 members played in the CLUB PAIRS match. After playing three ends on each of the six rinks the winners were Carole Parsons & Vic Bull with Ryan Self & Eddie Robinson runners-up.

ILMINSTER *with Des Maull*
THE men's team booked their place in the Turnbull semi-final last Tuesday after a tremendous fight back having trailed by 20 to win by nine shots against TAUNTON BC.

Details: Steve Peasland, Kevin Hamilton, Will Anderson & Peter Mattravers 18-13; Tony Peterson, Colin White, Ian Lightfoot & Neil Rowe 21-18; Alan Holt, Barry Sims, Jonny Kingston & Matt Hamilton 20-16; Dave Pugh, Eric Keitch, Bev Brister & Chris Robinson 18-22. They now play Victoria (WSM) at Yeovil on August 13th at 2-30pm.

On Saturday three teams were in action in the County League, The A team were home to VICTORIA (WSM) winning 57-50. Details: Levi Hembrow, Kevin Hamilton, Bev Brister & Chris Robinson 14-24; Will Anderson, Rowland Garland, Steve Turner and Matt Hamilton 19-15; Jonny Kingston, Alan Holt, Ian Lightfoot & Neil Rowe 24-11. Ilminster 10pts Victoria 2.

The B team entertained top of the table TAUNTON DEANE with Ilminster losing by four shots.

Details: Tony Bickle, Roger Lench, Ken Giles & Barry Sims 17-19; David Pugh, John Mitchell, Dave Crouch & Eric Keitch 26-13; Kevin Crouch, Colin White, Derek Bassett & Rod Parkin 11- 26. Ilminster 2pts Taunton 10.

The D team went down 80-37 at MINEHEAD. Details: Julian Smith, Gareth Armstrong, Bill Armstrong & Eddie Hadfield 15-25; Eric Turner, Derek Coates, Derek Carter & Dave Cox 11-27; Bill Bailey, Jeff Lock, Robert Madden & Pete Bloomdield 11-28.

On Sunday, the A team beat Bloomfield 70-48 to move to the top of the table.

Details: Levi Hembrow, Kevin Hamilton, Bev Brister & Pete Mattravers 21-18; Will Anderson, Chris Robinson, Steve Turner & Matt Hamilton 29-16; Jonny Kingston, Alan Holt, Ian Lightfoot & Neil Rowe 20-14. Ilminster 12pts Bloomfield nil.

Ilminster lost in the area final of the double rink against a Kings of Torquay team that included five England players.

The game finished after 15 ends with Kings 23 shots ahead. Ilminster team. Will Anderson, Jonny Kingston, Ian Lightfoot and Neil Rowe, Levi Hembrow, Bev Brister, Peter Mattravers and Matt Hamilton.

The Ladies are through to the quarter final of the Southey Trophy after a three rink to one win at Street.

Details: Singles, Shannon Crouch 21-19; Pairs, Sarah Lightfoot & Maureen Mitchell 10-31; Triples, Val Dargue, Norma Pugh & Monica Woodland 15-12; Sam Wall, Rita Grout, Christine Davies & Angie Thompson 18-17. Ilminster will now play Watchet Ladies in the last eight.

In the Wessex Mixed Triples League Knockout Cup Ilminster played near neighbours Chard winning on three of the four rinks.

Details, (away): Angie Thompson, Ken Giles & Chris Robinson 28 D Wilkinson 10; Dave Pugh, Maureen Mitchell & Barry Sims 21 M Nichols 17; (home), Sarah Lightfoot, Matt Hamilton & Will Anderson 18 A White 12; Monica Woodland, Jonny Kingston & Ian Lightfoot 15 M Wakeling 20.

New wheels suit Wheeler at Wiscombe

HAVING started thE season driving a road-going Ford Fiesta whilst awaiting the delivery of a new competition car, Kilmington driver Ben Wheeler made the most of his new machine to take Fastest Time of the Day at the Woolbridge Motor Club's two-day meeting at Wiscombe Park which hosted two rounds of the British Hillclimb Championships.

The IT security solutions technician overcame an error on a damp track at the Sawbench Hairpin during the first practice runs to quickly become accustomed to his new mount, an Empire Evo 2 single seater racing car, and take the premier award in the first of two clubman's events with a best climb of 43.95 seconds.

Jan Yeo from Exeter took the honours in the Wiscombe Championship class for non-road going vehicles in A 1800cc Westfield SEi.

The quantity surveyor secured the victory from Honiton's Joe Keep in his Ford Fiesta Zetec.

The same car facilitated more trophies when co-driver Samii Layzell, from Ottery St Mary, claimed the award for the Best Performance by a Lady Driver.

In the British Championship classes Tipton Garage motor technician James Hudson claimed a victory in the Road-going Production Car class at the wheel of his Volkswagen Golf. Hudson, from Ottery St Mary, took an emphatic win with a margin of 1.4 seconds over Midlander Richard Brant and his Renault Clio 172 Sport.

Feniton's Martyn Pike took the honours in 1400cc - 2000cc Modified Series Production Car division at the wheel of his Ford Escort Mk1 recording a winning time of 43.44 seconds.

The highlight of the weekend was the two Top Twelve Run-Offs for the Avon Tyres/TTC Group British Hillclimb Championships. Contestants of the national series had to qualify separately for each run-off by being one of the fastest twelve registered contenders during the class runs. The fastest ten in the run -off would then score points.

Honiton driver, Ed Hollier qualified for both at the wheel of his Suzuki powered Empire Evo 00 finishing eighth and sixth respectively to remain in the top ten championship positions and close the gap to his season-long adversary, Sean Gould in his self-constructed Gould GR59M, to just two points.

■ **NO PROBLEM:** An error which left Ben Wheeler facing the bank at the Sawbench Hairpin was quickly overcome by the Kilmington driver who went on to take F.T.D. in his new Empire Evo2

Potter powers home first at Shave cross

■ **TOUGH TIME:** Axe Valley Runner Kelly Stamp suffered a knee injury but still completed the Dorset Indaver Marathon.

HONITON RUNNING CLUB

with Judy Davey

TWO members from Honiton Running Club took part in the first ever Greenbow Running Club's 'STRAIGHT 8' last Saturday evening.

The race is an eight-mile one-way from Starcross to Exeter Quay. Dawn Peek was pleased with her time, 1hr 24mins, coming in 103 out of 150.Tony Peek came 104th.

First back was Adam Main in 52min 21sec.

AXE VALLEY RUNNERS

with Dave Mutter

KELLY Stamp had a difficult time at the off-road DORSET INVADER marathon.

At mile 14 she twisted her already injured knee but bravely hobbled over the line in agony in 6hrs 33mins finishing 216th/290.

John Blackledge and Eleanor Wood took on the 148-strong HASELBURY TRAIL 10K last Wednesday. The winner was Chris McMillan of Weston AC in 37:05. Blackledge was pleased with a time of 45:16 (19th) while Wood was first Lady in 51:40 (52nd).

The JURASSIC 10K and half Marathon were run from West Bay last Sunday. AVR had four runners, two in the 10k: Ben Croad in his first ever race, and Henry Smith - finishing in 1hr 05 and 1hr 20 respectively.

Clare Hansford was 2nd lady and first vet in a time of 1:56:10 while Eleanor Wood came home in 2:3:45.

Graham Newton ran the SIX MOOR MILES race starting at Yelverton finishing in 52:07 and was 2nd in the MV60 category.

Not content with that, Graham also ran the TOTNES 10K with nearly 500 runners taking part finishing in 49:56, 1st MV65. Diane Newton ran the race of her life finishing with an amazing sprint over the last 200 metres coming in at 1:16:58.

SEATON PARKRUN managed to gain three mentions in Athletics Weekly (the national publication for athletics fans) this week for the run on July 29th.

AVR Eleanor Wood was listed amongst the leading age graded runners nationally.

The first finisher, completing his second Seaton parkrun, Shaun Dixon was listed as the 12th fastest parkrunning man nationally with his time of 15:54. And visitor to Seaton Freddy Jones who is under 11 years old and ran with his family also recorded a fastest age grade.

CHARD RUNNING CLUB

with Paul Masters

CRR's were in action at Hazelbury, Shave Cross and Petersfield

Starting CRR's action this week were 11 members at the HAZELBURY TRAIL 10k,

Results; Wayne Loveridge 39m 56s, 2nd/148, Dan Cahill 3/148, Kieran Chapman 57m 08s 81/148, Simon Hall 1h 5m 21s, Helen Baxter 1h 08m 43s, Gary Wheaton 1h 09m 06s, Claire Pomeroy 1h 16m 02s, Claire Gibbs 1h 19m 41s, Vicky Whitworth 1h 26m 14s, Lizzie Smith 1h 33m 52s Nicky Smith 1h 33m 52s.

Paul Masters headed for PETERSFIELD for the Midnight Marathon crossing the line at 1.30am in a time of 4h 30m 03s and 26th/204.

Stevie Potter won the SHAVE CROSS five-mile (Mini Marathon) race in 35m 26s.

Fellow CRR's Celia Cohen, Simon Hall and Claire Pomeroy also completed the run.

■ **ALL SET:** Honiton Runnings Club's Dawn and Tony Peek pictured before the inaugural 'Straight 8' race

tee off golf

Axe Cliff ladies defy the odds to reach last four

HONITON *with John Pawley*

THE format for last week's Tuesday Mixed competition was an' ALTERNATE SHOTS' MEDAL with the 36 gentlemen taking the tee shot on the first hole, alternate shots were taken throughout the 18 holes, with every shot being counted.

The winners were Joan Smith & Stan Squire with a net score of 71 - two under par. They were followed by Cherry Liell &Cyril Dann (72) - ahead on count-back from Di Wall & John Frith. Vicki Rogers & Larry Goodliffe (73) were fourth

The Seniors match against TEIGNMOUTH last Tuesday was a close fought 3½-2½ loss, which was considered a good result. They entertain their opposition later in September and it will interesting to see if the Teignmouth players find Honiton's green a little slower. Duncan Hepburn took away the bottle of wine for nearest the pin.

On Friday the LONGHURST CUP was the prize for the best Seniors' team of three, playing this Stableford off ¾ handicap with one to score.

More than 70 members took on the task. David Woodruff won the cup last year, and with different partners this time - Alan Pollock and Max Pipe – succeeded again, with a team score of 45pts.

In second were Alan Devenny, Phil Wall & Derek Bell with 43. Third, on count-back, with 42 were John Birch, Mike Watts & Mike Jones ahead of Brian Bird, Eric Short & John Fleetwood. Earning themselves nine balls each for two's were David Woodruff, Vic Wood and Gerry Bolton (on the 2nd) and Tony Williams and Stan Squire (on the 12th).

Honiton made up for last year's final game disappointment, by winning the East Devon League with a 4&1 victory over BOVEY TRACEY at Fingle Glen.

Fingle Glen went into the last match with a three point lead, but Sidmouth had different ideas and beat them 3&2 - leaving Honiton, captained by Dave Carnall, to take the trophy by one point.

■ **GREAT PERFORMANCE:** The Axe Cliff team which reached the semi-final of the Sheelah Creasy Bowl competition.

AXE CLIFF *with Peter Motsom*

THE Ladies section were due to play their Ladies Invitation Day match last Wednesday but once again the persistent rain and windy conditions caused it to be cancelled.

However, on Friday, the ladies played Tiverton 2 in the quarter finals of the SHEELAH CREASY BOWL competition at Exeter Golf Club.

Axe Cliff were 3up and had lost two but, with two games still live, one of which went to the 20th hole, but before that reached a conclusion, the Axe Cliff seventh player came home with a win resulting in a 5-4 win.

The team will now meet Fingle Glen in the competition Semi Finals in September at Libberton club - an amazing achievement for a club with only 17 lady members.

CRICKET ST THOMAS

with Bert Robinson

FORTY SIX seniors entered a 4Ball Better Ball competition last Monday.

■ **CHAMPIONS:** The Honiton team which won the East Devon League.

Result:1st Ron Sutherland & Jim Hewit (45 points), 2nd Dave Taylor & Terry Rutherford (42), 3rd Ian Fielder & John Bloys (42).

Meanwhile, the Seniors' match team entertained AXE CLIFF in the first of two matches held last week.

Results: Barrie Heath & Stuart Pope halved, Alan Chance & Barrie Singleton won by two holes, Frank Martin & Nobby Hodder lost by one hole, Ian Griffiths & Roger Davis won 3&1, George Wallace & Chris Gingell won 2&1, Bob Barrow & Alan Davis halved.

A total of 52 members of the Ladies section braved some difficult conditions on the same day at the Clevedon Golf Club. Kim Clarke (Cricket St Thomas) swept the board by winning the Irlam Salver for the best player with 38 stableford points,

The Bridge Bowl (for 21-28 handicaps) and The Barlow cup for the Saints team.

The Senior match team entertained BREAN on Thursday and managed an emphatic 5½-½win.

Results; Barrie Heath & Nobby Hodder won 3&1, George Wallace & John McOmish won by two holes, Frank Martin & Ray Gudge won 3&2, Alan Chance & Barrie Singleton won 4&3, Roger Davis & Paul England halved, Ian Griffiths & Keith Potter won 3&2.

The Seniors' completed their week on Friday when 58 members entered a 4Ball Better Ball competition.

Result; 1st Rod Stevens & Peter Spencer-Farr 46pts, 2nd Danny Dowell & John Chance 45, 3rd Ian Griffiths & Martin Putland 43.

■ **HAT TRICK:** Cricket St Thomas' Kim Clarke pictured with her trophy haul

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Win keeps T20 hopes alive

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SOMERSET made a significant stride towards the NatWest T20- Finals day with a crucial win over Surry at the Cooper Associates County Ground yesterday (Sunday).

The team bounced back from Friday's disappointing loss at neighbours Gloucestershire when they got snarled up in heavy traffic that forced the game to start late as the trip form Taunton to Bristol took four hours.

Sunday's morale-boosting win appeared highly unlikely as the Cidermen lurched to 47 for 5 in their pursuit of visitors' Surrey's 157 for 6. But James Hildreth survived an early drop to continue his fine form the short format with a man-of-the-match innings of 45 not out (33 balls) which saw the hosts over the line with 10 balls to spare.

Hildreth was aided by some lusty blows from Roelof van der Merwe (36 off 19) and Craig Overton who was there at the end on 35.

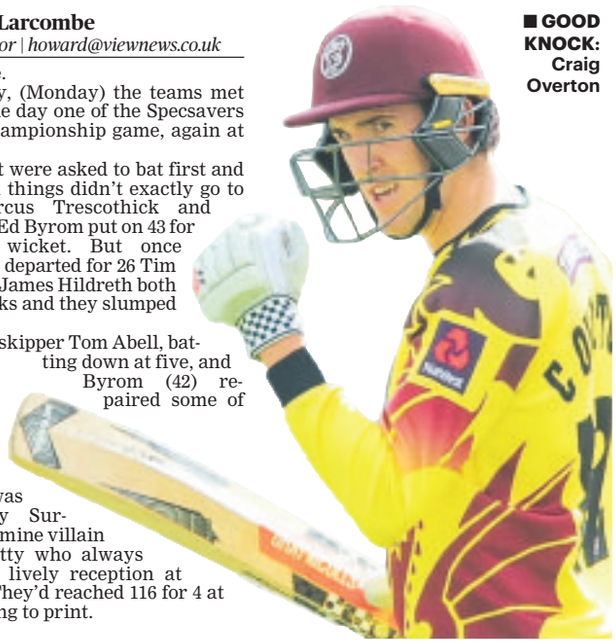
The Londoners had earlier got off to a flier with Aaron Finch and Jason Roy smacking 39 from the first four overs. But the Somerset attack struck three times in quick succession to wrestle back the advantage to limit Surrey to a below par 157.

Once again the troubled top order misfired for Somerset, but Hildreth guided them home.

Yesterday, (Monday) the teams met again in the day one of the Specsavers County Championship game, again at the CACG.

Somerset were asked to bat first and once again things didn't exactly go to plan. Marcus Trescothick and youngster Ed Byrom put on 43 for the first wicket. But once Tescothick departed for 26 Tim Rouse and James Hildreth both fell for ducks and they slumped to 46 for 3.

Restored skipper Tom Abell, batting down at five, and Byrom (42) repaired some of the damage with a stand of 50 before the latter was bowled by Surrey's pantomine villain Gareth Batty who always receives a lively reception at Taunton. They'd reached 116 for 4 at time of going to print.


■ GOOD KNOCK: Craig Overton

Chard Town beaten in curtain raiser

Chard Town 0 Warminster 2
Toolstation Div One – att: 91

CHARD'S opening encounter in the Toolstation League Division One ended in defeat as second half goals from Charlie Walton and Jack Miluk earned Warminster all three points.

The first half was typical early season fare with the Wiltshire based visitors going closest with an effort that was hooked off the goal line.

They should have taken the lead early in the second half when Jake Herd bust clear but blazed the ball wildly over the bar with only keeper Stu Parris to beat.

Chard had their moments to in an improved second period; a visiting defender was forced to head the ball against his own post, Liam Cleal and James Boyland both went close and a cross from debutant Nick Jacobs grazed the crossbar.

But Warminster broke the deadlock midway through the half. Miluk was felled on the edge of the area and Walton stepped to slot home the resulting free kick into the corner beyond the stretching Parris.

The win was sealed ten minutes later when Miluk tapped in from close range.

***Chard Town**: Stuart Parris, Dave Duarte, (Jack Dicker 83), Andrew Holmes, Kieran Bailey, Nick Jacobs, Matt Howell (Luke Jackson 73), Liam Cleal, Brad Miles, Taoufik Ben Salem, Steve Friend (Pat Golden 83), James Boyland.*

SOMERSET COUNTY CRICKET CLUB

County Ch D1	Pld	Pts
Essex	9*	141
Hampshire	10*	111
Lancashire	9*	109
Yorkshire	10*	100
Middlesex	9*	97
Surrey	8*	94
SOMERSET	8*	64
Warwicks	9*	50

(* match in progress)

Nat West T20	Pld	NRR	Pts
Glamorgan	11	0.42	14
SOMERSET	11	0.17	12
Gloucs	10	-0.05	12
Hampshire	11	0.08	11
Surrey	11	-0.40	10
Sussex	10	0.25	10
Kent	10	-0.17	9
Middlesex	10	0.06	8
Essex	10	-0.14	8

Batting (4 day)	Inns	Tot	Ave	HS
D.Elgar	12	517	47.0	158
J.Hildreth	16	395	28.2	101*
M.Trescothick	16	359	23.9	106

Bowling (4 day - min 5w)	Pld	Wkts	Econ	BB
C.Overton	7*	24	2.93	5-47
J.Leach	8*	23	2.76	6-78
L.Gregory	7*	21	2.74	5-74

Batting (T20 Blast)	Pld	Tot	SR	HS
J.Hildreth	10	209	157.1	63
L.Gregory	10	166	162.7	43
C.Anderson	4	142	184.4	81

Bowling (T20 Blast)	Pld	Wkts	Econ	BB
M.Waller	10	12	8.48	2-13
R. van der Merwe	10	11	7.67	3-27
T.Groenewald	8	9	8.75	2.26

Upcoming fixtures

Saturday, August 12th H v Kent (NatWest T20, 4pm)
Sun, August 13th H v Glamorgan (NatWest T20, 4.30pm)
Friday, August 18th A v Hampshire (NatWest T20, 7pm)
Monday, August 28th A v Essex (County Champ 11am)
Tuesday, Sept 5th A v Warwicks (County Champ 10.30am)
Tuesday, Sept 12th H v Lancs (County Champ 10.30am)
Tuesday, Sept 19th A v Surrey (County Champ 10.30am)

Frost turns up heat to win World Championship

SEVENTEEN-year-old Sutton Bingham Sailing Club sailor, **Andrew Frost** is celebrating after winning his division at the RS Aero World Championship held at Carnac in France.

The Championship attracted 96 entries from four continents and Frost triumphed in the 20 strong "5 Rig" division out-sailing tough competition from two Estonian sailors, Kate Sargent from the UK and fellow Sutton Bingham member, Ben Poe who finished a highly commendable fifth overall.

The venue provided champagne conditions with 16-25mph breeze throughout the week.

On the first day, the Estonians were placed first and third, with Frost in second, with a 1st, 4th and 3rd.

Frost said: "My technique on the waves improved as the week progressed enabling me to match the Estonians upwind and outpace them downwind."

On day two Frost posted a 1st and two 3rds to hold onto 2nd overall. On day three a 3rd and two 1sts moved Frost up to overnight leader, giving him honour of wearing the yellow jersey.

On day four he scored an impressive 2nd and two "bullets" which meant he was far enough ahead to win the regatta with a day to spare!

Compatriot **Ben Poe** scored a string of 5th places and a 3rd on the first day of the event.

After the event Frost said: "I can't quite believe that I've won the World Championship. It feels amazing! The week has been incredible with perfect weather for sailing and I've really enjoyed meeting and sailing against people from so many countries."

Frost was supported with a bursary from the Rotary Club of Sherborne which helped fund his Worlds campaign. He is looking forward to defending his title on home waters at Weymouth in 2018.

Meanwhile, seasoned Laser dinghy campaigner, **Chris Jones**, also from Sutton Bingham, who stepped into the RS Aero class this season, battled it out in the "7 Rig" division.

Jones was delighted to finish 13th from 62 entries and 3rd Master (55 yrs+).

Jones said: "this week has been the most enjoyable week of sailing I can remember; exhilarating conditions, great comradery amongst the fleet." Jones is currently supported by LED Leisure, who manage Goldenstones and Westlands Sports Centre, through help with fitness conditioning facilities.

Later this year he will compete in the prestigious "Champion of Champions" Endeavour Trophy having won the Comet Nationals last season.

■ GREAT PERFORMANCES: Ben Poe and Andrew Frost

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